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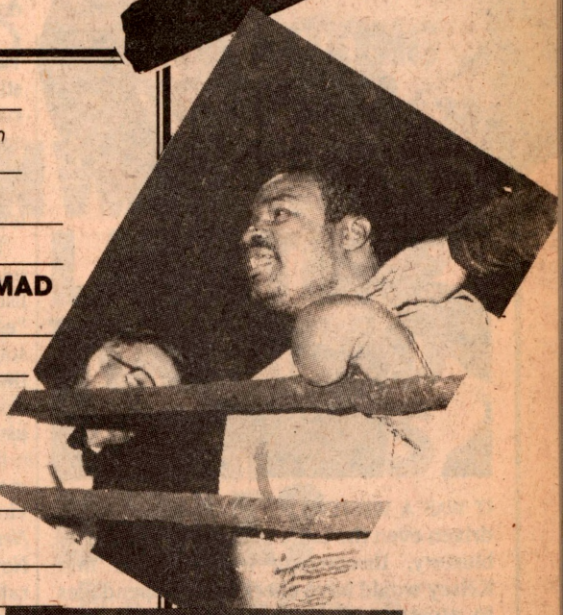

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To All Our Readers:

To accommodate a revised production schedule and an expanded distribution network, *The Ring* was compelled to go straight from the December, 1983 issue to February, 1984, omitting January, 1984 from our monthly sequence of issues. The change will enable us to get this and subsequent issues to you prior to the cover dates. All subscriptions have been automatically adjusted so that subscribers will still receive the number of issues ordered.

RINGSIDE

IT WAS A WINTER DAY THAT WOULD HAVE driven even the Little Matchstick girl inside: blustery, threatening and so cold that Kelsey would have checked his appendages to ascertain their existence. In search of shelter—as well as nourishment—the editor, believing he would rather be a good liver than have one, sought out a watering hole for both.

The search had taken him to Smith & Wollensky's, glowing through the glomail like a beacon on New York's Third Avenue. Entering the bar area he bellied up with an order and money in hand when what to his wondering eyes should appear but Jose Sulaiman and Don King, huddled in concert assembled on the other side of the bar. There was no fight scheduled in New York—nor anywhere else for that matter. So what could this dastardly duo be up to? A social drink 3,200 miles from Sr. Sulaiman's backyard? A monopoly game for real money? A WBC Ratings Committee meeting?

The reason, dear readers, is not so much in question as the fact of their meeting. More than anything else it points out that the hierarchy of the WBC is two men: Jose Sulaiman and Don King.

Why else would Herr Jose refuse sanction of the Larry Holmes-Marvis Frazier fight when he *has* given sanction to several Don King—Promoted fights even when the opponent was not in the WBC's Top Ten? (For reference see the Larry Holmes-Muhammad Ali fight.) And, more importantly, why did Herr Jose call papa Joe Frazier and Caesars Palace to suggest that if Marvis would give Don King the first option on his services he *would* sanction the fight?

Jose Sulaiman has profaned the name of boxing enough. It's time he stepped down—with *no bars* attached.

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THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, still upset they haven't found a guaranteed cure for the common cold, have now turned upon boxing with a vengeance—even going so far as to take a resolution to the World Medical Association calling for the worldwide banning of boxing.

The AMA, in spite of the fact that even its own figures show boxing to be far down the list in terms of deaths behind such "establishment" sports as football, has sought out boxing as its fall guy—in much the same manner as Claude Raines in *Casablanca* asked his aide to "Round up the usual suspects."

It is this "Round-up-the-usual-suspects" mentality that is most worrisome. When violence is an ingrained part of all sports (a *New York Times* sports page editorial last November 20th said "Injuries are not aberrations in football, or even a regrettable byproduct. They are essential to the game".), why single out boxing? Is it because it's not an "establishment" sport, because it is the sport of the underpriviliged—something no WASPish member of the AMA can appreciate?

Well, if the AMA has declared war on boxing, we hereby serve notice on the AMA that we have declared war on them and their "establishment" minds. Starting with this issue we will report not only the number but the names of those who have died in the ring but those athletes who have died in *all* sports, starting with Paul Cunningham, the starting guard for Howard Payne University in a football game last November 19th against Abilene Christian. But to properly put together our monthly "AMA Scorecard" we will need your help in sending us the names and dates of every death—be they football players, jockeys, mountain climbers, auto racers, soccer players, hang gliders and even boxers.

In that manner we will all be doing our part to make sure that when the AMA "Rounds up its usual suspects," it will not just be boxing, but all sports in which violence is an "essential" element of the game. Like football.

BERT R. SUGAR

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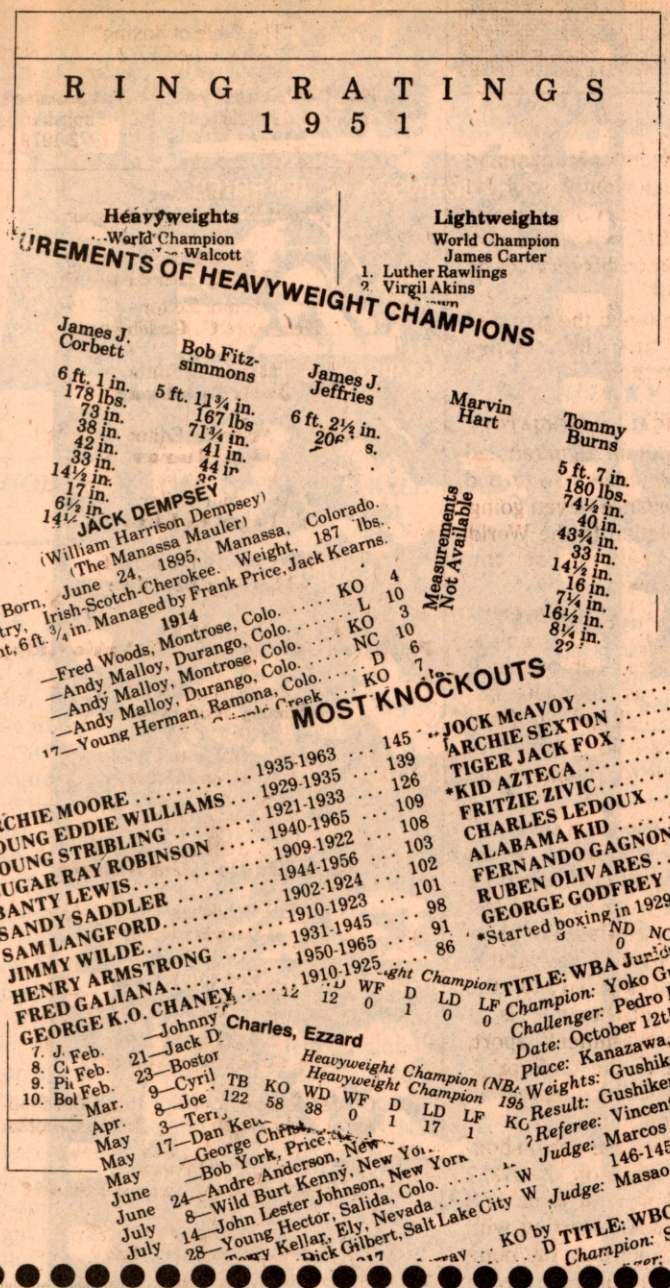

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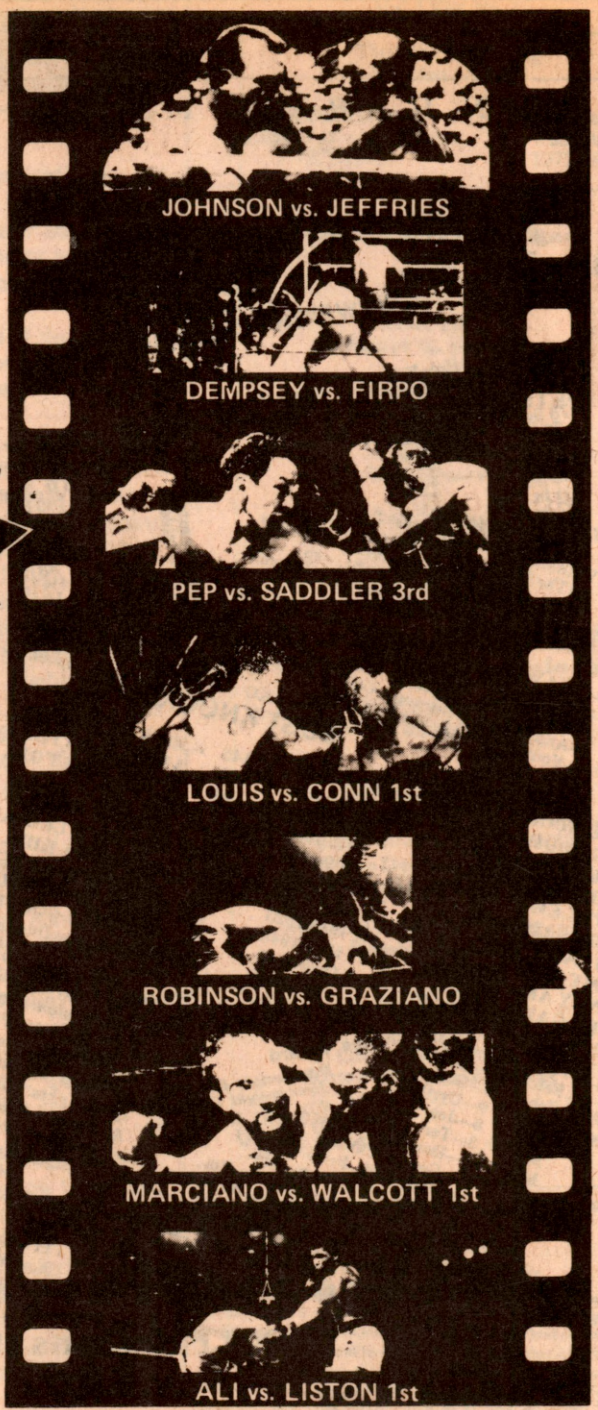

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"'Alright, I'll follow you out,' answers the woman after thinking the offer over.

"'I don't really have $100,000,' admits the man, 'but I'll give you twenty-five bucks plus cab fare home.'

"Turning purple with rage, the woman shrieks, 'Just what do you think I am?!'

"Answers the man calmly: 'What you are, we both know. Now we're just arguing about the price.'"

Why did we just tell that awful old joke? No, not in order to provoke letters quoting our masthead ("The Ring. . . does not contain one line of matter. . . that would be offensive") and telling us irately that "Nat Fleischer must be spinning in his grave." We thought of the joke when Heavyweight Champion Larry Holmes said recently, "I'll fight Gerrie Coetzee in South Africa only if they pay me $100 million." Holmes has long-condemned other fighters who have traveled to the Republic of South Africa and has said that he would never fight there because of that country's racist policies.

If Holmes would go to South Africa for $100 million, then he'd probably do it for $20 million or $10 million. Now that promoter Don King has given the go-ahead to his co-promoter, Cedric Kushner, to try and arrange a Coetzee fight in South Africa, (see the Don King interview in this issue) a Holmes-Coetzee title-unification fight in that controversial country seems like a distinct possibility. But even if it never happens, Larry Holmes should spare us his opinions on other, less-wealthy fighters who have fought there. Because, Larry, "now we're just arguing about the price!"

UNLUCKY AT CARDS. . . UNLUCKY IN THE RING

A COUPLE OF FRAZIERS TOOK A DRUBbing at Caesars Palace, Las Vegas. After young Marvis' fiasco against Larry Holmes, father Smokin' Joe recounted his own earlier misadventures at the blackjack tables: "Ain't no winning at these tables," said the former heavyweight champion. "I've been here every night for two weeks and I got my black butt whipped every night. New Jersey has some rules, but they wrote the book on it here. You get 17—the dealer gets 18; you get 18—the dealer gets 19; you get 20—the dealer gets 21. We oughta get some of these dealers and put them in the ring with Larry Holmes." But Holmes had no complaints about the card dealers. Larry credited his longevity to his strict avoidance of the casino games. "I love to play blackjack, don't get me wrong," said Holmes. "But you don't see me messing around there before a fight."

SORRY, GERRY, IT WAS TOO HARD TO RESIST

NEWS OF UNRELATED COMEBACKS being planned by two former star athletes hit the streets in rapid succession. First it was Jimmy Brown, the all-time National Football League rushing leader, who announced he will return to the gridiron. Then came Gerry Cooney, the former heavyweight contender, who now says that he will return to the ring.

Skeptics think that only one of those athletes is serious. The other, they believe, just wants to see his name in the paper.

They expect the 47-year-old Brown to suit up next season.

POLISHING UP THE WBC

THE WORLD BOXING COUNCIL HIRED a public relations firm to assess the organization's image and standing and to suggest ways of improving them. The firm, Public Relations Advisors, Inc., of Dallas, Tex., issued a report with the following findings: 1. The WBC's overall media relations are poor. 2. Jose Sulaiman (the WBC president) has an extremely poor image with the news media.

The first problem was ascribed to the lack of a central source for information in the WBC, the difficulty which the media encounter in trying to get information in a timely fashion and to the lack of WBC guidelines as to who is authorized to speak on behalf of the group. Sulaiman's troubles were blamed on his "tendency to make off-the-cuff remarks", "tendency to take negative comments personally and to respond to them with emotion rather than logic or facts," and to his "facial expressions and physical mannerisms which are perceived by the media as evasive."

The PR firm suggested that Sulaiman undergo a two-day media training session to "give him the polished appearance American journalists expect of the spokesmen for

major sports organizations." But, the report added, "It may be however that the negative image...is so ingrained that the WBC would be best served by the development of an alternative spokesman who could articulate Sulaiman's policies in the U.S."

WBC Executive Secretary Eduardo Lamazon wrote to several boxing writers that the report "which even making our WBC president heartbroken, he wishes to give it full consideration... He is absolutely willing to leave if the general consensus is in support of the reported negative image and the feeling that his is not a reliable source."

BARTENDERS' TRIVIA CORNER

BY POPULAR DEMAND, THE BARTENDers' Trivia Corner is going commercial. A free Heavyweight Champions poster will go to one reader who sends in the correct answer to the following question. (The winner will be picked at random from all the correct responses we receive during the first week that answers come in. Send answers to Bartenders' Trivia Corner, The Ring, 120 W. 31 St., N.Y., N.Y. 10001.)

This month's question is a two-parter on the man who started out in boxing as Cassius Clay: 1. After he beat Sonny Liston in 1964, Clay announced that he was changing his name. What did he say his new name was? 2. How many times did he capture the WBA heavyweight championship? Name the fighters whom he won it from.

Last month's question: What non-bareknuckle Hall-of-Famer had the lowest knockout percentage?

Answer: Johnny Dundee, who held the featherweight and junior lightweight titles in the early '20s, scored just 22 knockouts in 330 bouts for a KO average of .067.

NOT CRYING WOLF

THE ALLEGEDLY TRIVIAL DEMANDS that manager Dave Wolf tends to make before most Ray Mancini fights have become an inside joke among boxing promoters and network TV sports producers. As part of the contract for the Mancini—Johnny Torres non-title fight on the Holmes-Frazier undercard in Las Vegas, Wolf made NBC agree to keep their microphones away from Mancini's corner between rounds, thus scuttling what has by now become the standard practice of television "listening in" on the between-rounds discussion between fighter and cornermen. Furthermore, Wolf made the promoter, Bob Andreoli, and the TV network agree that if the bell for the first round is not sounded

within seven minutes of when Mancini enters the ring, Boom Boom would be free to walk out of the ring and not fight. "I was waiting for him to say 'Mancini won't fight if there is a woman with a yellow dress within the first two rows at ringside," said an exasperated NBC producer.

Wolf makes no apologies for what some call his "neurotic" attitude. "Ray needs to come into a fight warmed up," says the manager, explaining the less-than-seven-minute demand. "He fights the first round back in the dressing room. We don't want him to cool down while they waste time before starting the fight. We're not telling them when to start the fight. We're just saying they shouldn't send for Ray until they're ready."

Of the no-microphone-in-the-corner demand, Wolf says, "The talk in the corner is private. It's between Ray and his trainer, Murphy Griffith. We were in no position to make demands before, but now that Ray's champion they have to come to us."

The issue of between-rounds surveillance became a moot point when Mancini leveled the outclassed Torres with a left hook and ended their bout in the opening round.

MONEY HUNGRY?

THEY NAMED A CANDY BAR AFTER Reggie Jackson but the Curtis company had to discontinue it when sales dropped along with Reggie's batting average. Muhammad Ali isn't scoring any more knockouts in the ring, but the Commemorative Precious Metals firm is banking on Ali's persona to pull in orders for a 1.1-ounce silver coin bearing the former champion's likeness.

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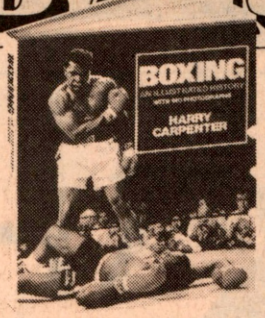

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WINNER AND STILL MARVELOUS

BY MICHAEL KATZ

"YOU CALL THAT A GREAT FIGHTER?" demanded the shrill voice in the Riviera night.

The echoes of "oo la la" were still in my mind as I looked up from my typewriter at Howard Cosell.

Marvin Hagler had just knocked out a tough Argentine named Norberto Cabrera in one of the preliminaries to the Hugo Corro-Vito Antuofermo middleweight title fight in Monte Carlo. The Marvelous One had dazzled the predominantly French crowd and received kudos from such authorities as Nino Benvenuti ("I have never seen a better middleweight") and Emile Griffith ("He did everything perfectly") as well. By the end of the fight, when the towel came in from Cabrera's corner, only Hagler's uppercuts were keeping the Argentine upright.

"I was just on the phone to New York to keep that piece of crap off the air," Cosell was saying.

Howard has always been too quick for me. With my bottom jaw slack, it was difficult to frame a reply. It was a case of not believing Cosell's eyes or not believing my ears.

"I didn't say he was a great fighter," I murmured. "I said he was the best middleweight in the world."

"You must have a piece of him," Cosell said.

"I wish I did."

I stand by that 1979 assessment. Hagler remains the best middleweight in the world, despite beating Roberto Duran with less "passion"—Budd Schulberg's word—than we expected. Hagler's puzzlingly cautious performance did not heighten his stature in the pantheon of 160-pound champions. But equally, it did not warrant his reduction to "Mediocre Marvin."

Hagler's problem has always been his image. For too long, the shaved skull, the insidious beard and "Destruct and Destroy" sloganeering have given him the cloak of invincibility. And he certainly fought like that in knocking out such fodder as Tony Sibson and Wilfred Scypion earlier in 1983. But Hagler has always been primarily a boxer, not a slugger, the possessor of above-average hand speed and reflexes and one of the greatest chins in middleweight history. Before he can destroy, he must feel out, size up and beat up his opponent.

As a boxer, he is marvelous, especially for our dark age. His ability to box southpaw or orthodox makes him one of the most versatile fighters in history. More important, if he can't beat you outside—his problem against Duran—he can beat you inside. It was inside, where Duran was thought by some to have the advantage, that Hagler did most of the damage.

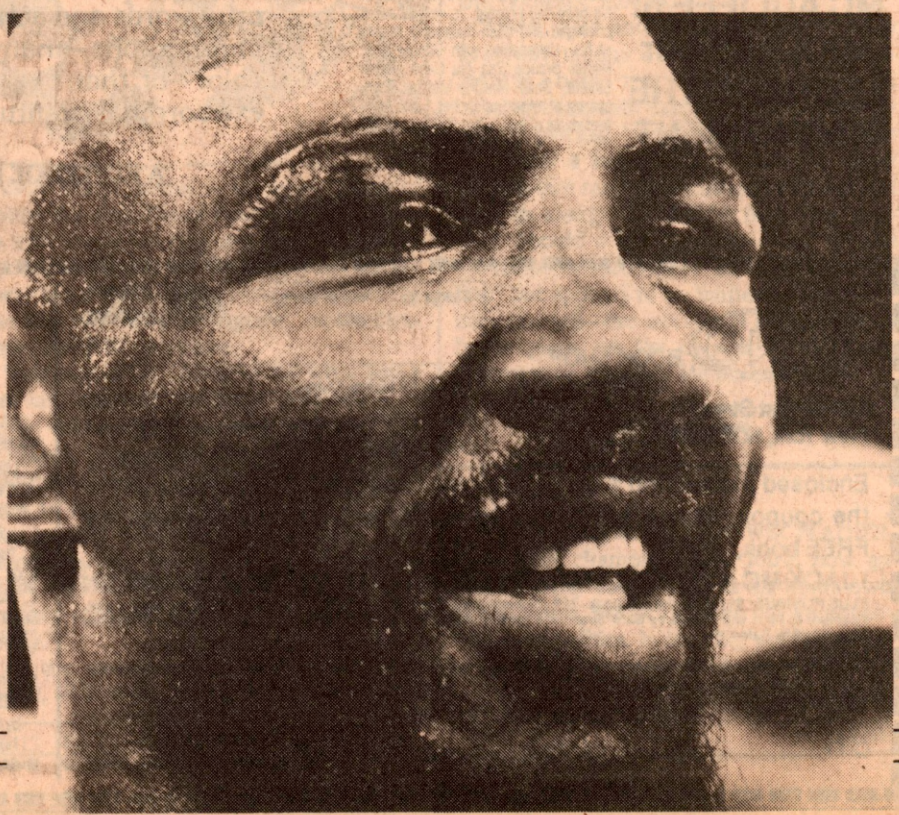
It took a converted lightweight like Duran to beat Hagler to the punch. Hagler's hand speed is more than adequate to handle genuine middleweights, but it is not good enough for smaller, faster men such as Sugar Ray Leonard. The possibility of a Hagler-Leonard bout (I still can't believe Ray would risk his eye) intrigues me. Most of my colleagues would make Leonard an overwhelming favorite. I wouldn't.

Do not question Hagler's heart. It has always been one of the bummest raps in boxing that Marvin "has a bit of the dog in him." I am absolutely convinced that should Hagler ever be behind in a fight (not counting the scorecards of those WBA judges in the Duran fight), we would see just how marvelous he really is.

I do question Hagler's head. What made him stop fighting just when the resigned look of defeat had been etched on the Panamanian's face by an assortment of middle-round punches? Only Marvin knows for sure.

It is his nature to be cautious. "The only thing that matters is winning," he said. Yet, finally given his long-awaited opportunity to "show the world" his marvels, Hagler retreated into himself and the skeptics howled.

Hagler has shown that he can box and punch and take a rap, but he has yet to earn the ultimate acclimation—"fighter." Leonard also labored under that falsehood until



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Duran, and later Thomas Hearns, brought out the fighter in him. I submit that the reaon that Hagler did not reach down was that he was simply too superior to Duran to need to. Thus, cautiously, he did only what he had to do to win. It is his nature.

But I also submit that the Duran beaten by Hagler was superior to the Duran beaten by Leonard. The "No mas, no mas" Duran was in no shape to fight that infamous night in New Orleans three years ago, but the Duran in the cool night air of Las Vegas was at least well-conditioned. For me, Leonard earned his reputation against Hearns, not in the second fight with Duran. It took Leonard five rounds that night to realize that the man in front of him was not the same man he faced in Montreal.

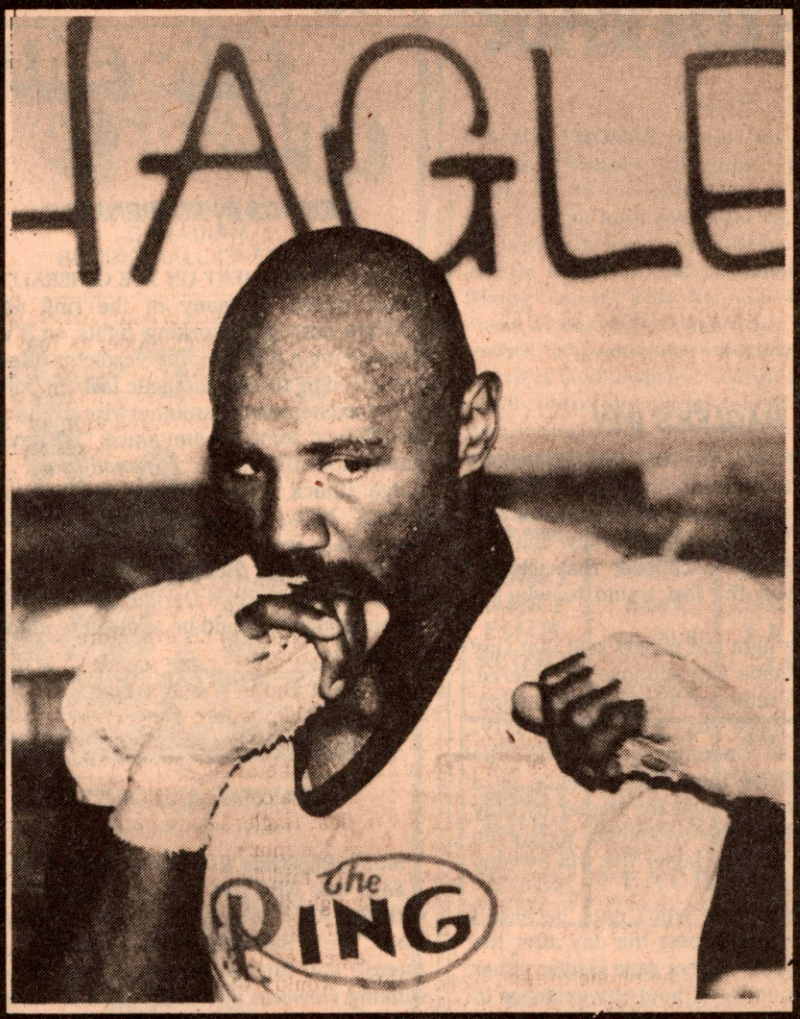
In Montreal, Duran hurt Leonard—from the outside, with a right hand—in the second round. Duran was never able to hurt Hagler. It is questionable whether Leonard could pierce that thick skull and thicker chin, and if Hagler ever nailed him like Duran did, Ray might be in trouble. (On the other hand, Leonard's superior hand and foot speed would enable him to outbox Hagler.)

Since Leonard's retirement, I have always felt that the only man around who could sufficiently test Hagler, is Hearns. Duran did show that Hagler is open to right hands. "He's a target," said Hearns, at ringside. "His head never moves."

I do not know how Hagler would have done against some of the great, or even not-so-great middlweights of the past. But whether or not he is among the top 10 in history, I would have to say that even the best, Sugar Ray Robinson and Carlos Monzon would have had trouble with Marvelous Marvin.

Larry Merchant reminded me that when Arturo Godoy went 15 rounds with Joe Louis, it was fashionable to write that Louis was no Jack Dempsey. Fighters are remembered for their last fight, instead of their best one. It may be that Hagler has yet to have his best fight. Before he is confined to mediocrity, let us wait and see how he does against Hearns or Leonard or maybe even Michael Spinks.

As for Cosell, it was later learned that in his blow-by-blow description of the Cabrera knockout, which was being taped in case the Corro-Antuofermo bout ran short, Howard suggested that referee Stanley Christodoulou stopped the bout only because he was in the service of Bob Arum, who Cosell suggested should be run out of Monte Carlo. It was later brought to Cosell's attention that Christodoulou had stopped the fight because Cabrera's corner had thrown in the towel. Thankfully, Tex Cobb, the first annual Larry Holmes Thanksgiving turkey, got Howard to throw his in.



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HAGLER'S WIN

THE JUDGING AT THE HAGLER-DURAN fight was horrendous. Marvin Hagler outboxed Duran, landed more punches and seemed to win the fight handily. But the scoring was so cockeyed that Hagler needed to win the last round to win the fight.

Before the fight the papers said that Guy Jutras of Canada was supposed to referee, but the WBA removed him from that assignment because of his previously-demonstrated incompetence. Well he demonstrated further incompetence as a judge, scoring the fight for Hagler by only two points. The other two judges were even worse, both giving Hagler the win by only one point.

I know it's not me who's nuts, because I checked the newspapers the day after the fight, and all the writers gave Hagler either 9, 10 or 11 rounds. Without any evidence to the contrary, I'll assume that the judges are just inept and not crooked. But it's a sorry state of affairs when we have to settle for either.

STEVE SEATON, BARTLESVILLE, OKLA.

No, Roberto Duran did not get knocked out, like most of your expert predictors said he would (October). No, Marvin Hagler did not look awesome in turning back Duran. Yes, Duran did win some rounds (though not nearly as many as the judges said he did). But Duran didn't pressure Hagler either. He seemed content to lose the fight and go the distance rather than really try to win it.

Duran does not deserve the rematch he is asking for. Duran should go and defend his junior middleweight title against someone like Mike McCallum or John Mugabi. And Hagler should defend his title against a true middleweight such as Juan Roldan. Roldan might not be polished, but he proved against Frank Fletcher that he can hit. He has to be given a "puncher's chance" against anyone.

KEVIN ROTH, BALDWIN, PA.

KEEP US IN SUSPENSE

I'D LIKE TO COMMENT ON THE GENERALLY poor quality of many of the ring announcers currently working fights on TV. When giving a decision, the verdict is often announced in an anti-climactic fashion, killing the excitement of an otherwise exciting fight. To hear someone announce: "We have a unanimous decision..." (*crowd roar*)... "Judge Chuck Minker scores it 146-144, Holmes," blows the whole climax of the fight. It happens like that often.

Perhaps lessons should be required from Jimmy Lennon and Ed Derian before other ring announcers should be allowed to enter the ring.

TONY CARL, TOLEDO, OHIO

ATAVISM, ANYONE?

I MUST RESPOND TO BEN SHARAV WHO SAID that NBC had a "dog" on its hands with the Avon Women's Marathon (*Round One*, "We'll Be Right Back... Back...", August) and further that they were hoodwinking vieweres into watching it by luring boxing fans with a promised Hagler-Scypion fight.

I'm certain that I speak not only for millions of delighted women who happened to be spared for just a few more minutes, from watching this form of atavistic violence that calls itself sport but for the millions of male and female viewers alike who not only enjoy watching, but participating in the sport of long-distance running.

The winner of the Avon Women's Marathon, Julie Brown, set a women's-only world record of 2 hours and 26 minutes. Hagler and Scypion would have been left in the dust.

And that, sports fans, is a REAL knockout.

KATHRINE SWITZER
Director, Sports Programs
Avon Products, Inc.
NEW YORK, N.Y.

Editor's note: ***More women executives at leading cosmetics companies read*** **The Ring** ***than any other boxing magazine.***

RING *WRONG ON ROLDAN*

THE RING IS ALWAYS STICKING IT TO the WBA and WBC for their bogus ratings, so it's only fair that someone now sticks it to you! I'm referring, of course, to the ferocious beating that Juan Roldan gave Frank Fletcher in Las Vegas before the Hagler-Duran fight. Roldan had been ranked number two by the WBC and number one by the WBA but *The Ring* had the Argentine at number 18. Fletcher, on the other hand, you had all the way up at number three.

Not only did Roldan beat Fletcher, but he knocked him down, threw him clear out of the ring and won every single round before finally knocking "The Animal" out cold in the sixth round.

I'm sure Roldan will now rocket upward in The Ring ratings and Fletcher will plummet accordingly. But here is a case where both the WBA and the WBC beat *The Ring* to the punch.

MAURICE MADEIROS, LIVONIA, MICH.

IS SILENCE GOLDEN?

IN ALMOST 20 YEARS OF WATCHING BOXING there are two things that have never made sense to me and I hope you can give me an explanation.

1. Why have referees traditionally cautioned (and threatened to deduct points from) a fighter who talks to his opponent? It seems absurd. A fighter is allowed to beat his foe into the ground, but he cannot "bad-mouth" him?

2. Why have referees and commission officials threatened to penalize a fighter for getting "coaching" from his corner during the rounds. Hells Bells! The fans can shout instructions! The fighter's family and friends can shout encouragement! But the cornermen are not allowed to do so. And yet, they can give advice between the rounds. All this seems very ridiculous to me. Can you explain these rules?

RICHARD A. SAVOY, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

Editor's note: ***Those rules are there for reasons of sportsmanship, no doubt. If a fighter were permitted to talk to his opponent, where would you draw the line at what he was or was not allowed to say? Would George Carlin's "seven words you can't use on TV" be permitted? The same holds for advice given from the corner. Would you permit a cornerman to heap abuse on the opponent? It's simpler and fairer to prohibit talking, period.***

DON'T BLAME QUEEN FOR DEMPSEY'S CLOSING

I HAVE BEEN A READER OF *THE RING* since January, 1955 and have never had cause to write to you before. I must however take you to task for Ben Sharav's column in which he blamed Her Majesty The Queen for having Jack Dempsey's New York restaurant shut down in 1974 (*Round One*, "Food For Thought", August).

I have it on good authority that Her Majesty The Queen owns no companies and has no personal connection with any property in New York. Not only is the article wrong, but it is extremely offensive to lots of readers of many nationalities.

The libel laws in your country are different from those in mine, but I can assure you that if a British publication published something similar about an American citizen the publication could, and certainly would, be sued. And if past cases are anything to go by, I feel sure that the case would be found against the publication.

I have visited your country many times to see fights. In 1973 when I was in New York for a fight, I had the honor of meeting Jack Dempsey at his restaurant. The photograph that I had taken with Dempsey hangs in pride of place in my bar.

Jack is equally revered here as he is in the U.S.A.

I trust you will find it in your heart to make some form of correction (or may I humbly ask, apology) for the incorrections in your article.

CHAS. TAYLOR, LONDON, ENGLAND

Ben Sharav replies: Jack Dempsey's shut down in October, 1974 after the new landlord, the British-controlled Inch Corp., abrogated the restaurant's lease in the middle of its 10-year term. Inch Corp. was reported at the time to be controlled by the Royal Family; Jack Dempsey's business partner, New York sportsman Jack Amiel says that he could never get a straight answer from the British on what the Royal Family's connection was. Inch Corp. has since been dissolved but a former officer of the company tells us that it was not connected to British royalty.

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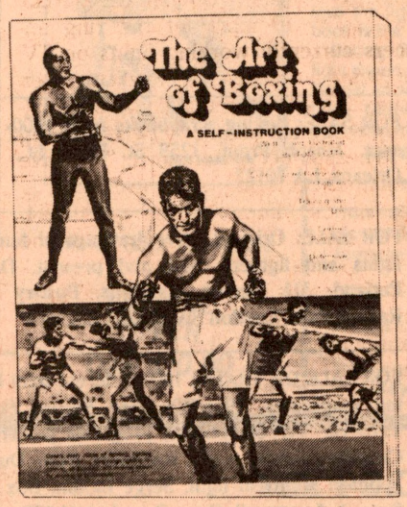

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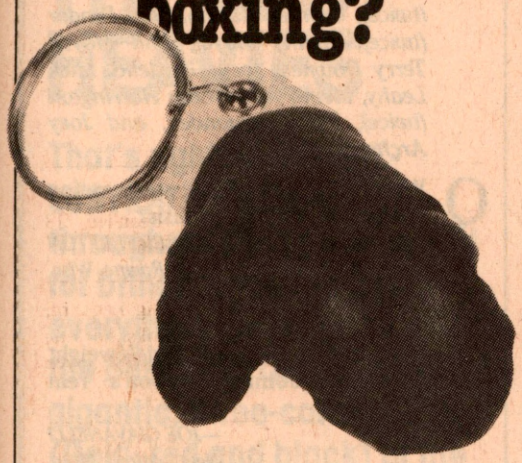

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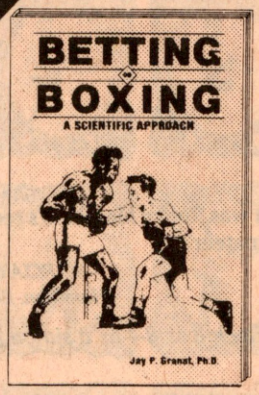

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—RAY SOMERS
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—RUDY CRAVERO
Bellmawr, N.J.

A *Andy (Kid) Palmer also fought Jack Delaney. I have no transcript of his record, but feel certain that IBRO, the Int. Boxing Research Organization, will be of help. You can write to them at P.O. Box 84, Guilford, New York 13780.*

Q A friend of mine insists that Pete Ranzany did not beat Sugar Ray Leonard in the amateurs. I say he did. Who is right?

—KID MUNGUIA
Sacramento, Calif.

A *Your friend. You're thinking of Randy Shields.*

Q What was Muhammad Ali's record as an amateur. I've seen a lot of conflicting accounts.

—BRADLEY D. RICHARDSON
Portland, Oregon

A *98-8*

Q Who are the men to have defeated Sugar Ray Robinson in the professional ring? *—JOHN A. BECK, SR.*
Philadelphia, Pa.

A *Jake LaMotta, Randy Turpin, Joey Maxim, Tiger Jones, Gene Fullmer (twice), Carmen Basilio, Paul Pender (twice), Denny Moyer, Phil Moyer, Terry Downes, Joey Giardello, Mick Leahy, Memo Ayon, Stan Harrington (twice), Ferd Hernandez, and Joey Archer.*

Q When did *The Ring* start rating fighters on a monthly basis?

—ALBERT LEFTON
Racine, Wisc.

A *In 1928.*

Q What is former world middleweight champion Johnny Wilson's real name?

—JOE GIAVANELLI
New Bedford, Mass.

A *Giovanni Francisco Panica.*

Q When and where did Philadelphia Pal Moore, the old welterweight contender, die?

—JOHNNY CRAFTON
Bangor, Maine

A *December 20, 1943, Philadelphia, Pa.*

Q What was the ring record of our own hometown world featherweight champion, Davey Moore?

—TOM WRIGHT
Springfield, Ohio

A *Moore, who died of injuires two days after his March 21, 1963 title bout with Sugar Ramos, compiled a 59-7-1 mark with 30 kayoes. He was 1952 National AAU bantamweight champ before turning pro.*

Q Could you supply me with some information on "Irish" Frankie Crawford?

—R.W. BRADY
Northridge, Calif.

A *Crawford was a Los Angeles-based featherweight contender who compiled a 38-17-5 mark in a career that stretched from 1965 through 1973. He lost a majority decision in a title shot at WBA featherweight king Shozo Saijyo in Sendai, Japan on July 5, 1970 and lost a return bout by a unanimous verdict in Utsunomiya, Japan, on February 28, 1971.*

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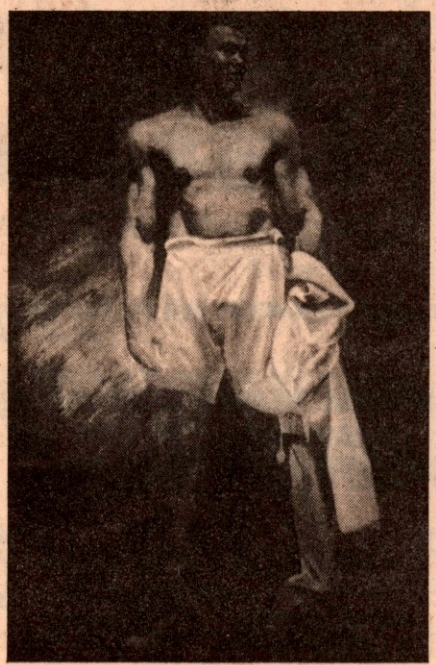

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VETERAN BOXERS' BEAT

BY CHARLIE SPINA

ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1983, THE eleventh Annual Maryland Boxing Hall of Fame Dinner-Dance—sponsored by the International VBA, Ring 101, Baltimore Md.—was held at Martin's West in Baltimore. A huge sell-out attendance was on hand to honor the 1983 inductees: Wild Bill Boyd, Charley Gomer, Charley Rondo, Bucky Jeffra, Al Busick, Joe O'Connell, Andy Singletary and Frank Kaiser. Bert Randolph Sugar, publisher of *Ring* magazine was the guest speaker. Other guests of honor included; Harry Jeffra, former two-time world's champion Clarence "Red" Burman, former heavyweight contender of the 30s and 40s George Chaplin, present Maryland heavyweight champion and world contender, Albert Wosk, 1983 Golden Gloves champion, Scoop Gallello, president of the IVBA, and D. Chester O'Sullivan, chairman of the Md. State Athletic Commission. Presenting the awards was Al Salkowski, president of Ring 101, Jimmy Lazzati was toastmaster and Buddy Ey with Joe Poodles Jr. were chairman and co-chairman of this wonderful affair.

Former boxer and historian Billy Mahoney has been selected chairman by citizens of Fresno, California to help raise funds to build a statue honoring Young Corbett III, former world's welterweight champion. The statue will be placed in the city of Fresno sometime in October, 1984, at which time a dinner will also be held in honor of the former champ. Billy Mahoney, longtime friend of Young Corbett, is the driving force behind the Young Corbett statue and asks anyone wishing to donate to send their donation to Billy Mahoney, 329 E. Michigan, Fresno, Cal. 93704. Make checks payable to "The Young Corbett Statue Fund"...

On Sunday Oct. 16th, Las Vegas boxing champions Rober Mayweather, Bruce Curry and Leroy Haley were honored at an awards dinner at the Maxim Hotel sponsored by the Las Vegas Boxing Hall of Fame and the Veteran's Boxing Assoc. Also honored posthumously was the late Richard Greene, Jr., boxing referee. 1983 was a first for Las Vegas, with three local fighters reigning as world champions during the same year. Greene, one of Nevada's top referees, worked numerous title bouts, including the Holmes-Ali title bout. Davey Pearl and Joey Curtis, outstanding Nevada referees, co-chaired the event. Both the LVBHF and the VBA are active throughout the year with various functions which help support the sport of boxing on both the professional and amateur levels, besides the veteran boxers in dire need...

On Sunday October 2nd, 1983, the twenty-fourth annual old-timers luncheon reunion held at Gene "Spider" Mock's home in North Hollywood, California, honored former worlds welterweight boxing champion Jimmy McLarnin.

IN MEMORIAM—Bill Daly, 82, former boxing manager died on Oct. 16, 1983 in Neptune, N.J. Death resulted from pneumonia and kidney ailment. Daly, a native of Paterson, N.J., once worked with Jack Kearns and for many years was a power in Puerto Rico, where he had a home. Daly managed Carlos Ortiz, Lee Savold, Joe Roman, Ossie Ocasio and Carlos Sugar DeLeon. Rest In Peace.

Freddie "Shea" Addeo—59, former Greenpoint Brooklyn welterweight of the 40s and 50s, died suddenly of a heart attack at his home in Brooklyn on Sept. 6, 1983. Addeo was managed by Al Weill and fought men like Tony Janiro, Tony Pellone, Buster Tyler, Aaron Perry, Carmine Fatta, Lew Hanbury and others. Rest In Peace——Tommy Marengo, former lightweight contender of the 30s, recently died at his home in Brooklyn, N.Y. Death resulted from cancer. Marengo was 1st Vice-President of Ring 21, Brooklyn, VBA. Rest In Peace...

On October 1, 1983, over 400 attended the fourth annual "Banquet of Champions" was held at the Los Angeles Marriott Hotel. The legendary John L. Sullivan was the top vote-getter among seven champions who were enshrined that night. Other 1983 electees, selected by a panel of 66 international boxing historians, were: Ezzard Charles, Jersey Joe Walcott, Rocky Graziano, Carlos Monzon, Lew Jenkins and Ike Williams, of these, Walcott, Williams, Graziano and Monzon are still living. Also honored were boxing announcer Don Dunphy, and manager-trainer Eddie Futch. Sportswriter Dan Parker and gym proprietor Howie Steindler were honored posthumously. Other former champions who attended this affair included; Jimmy McLarnin, Sean O'Grady, Marvin Camel, Archie Moore, Henry Armstrong, and Tony Zale...On October 14, 15, & 16, 1983, The National VBA held their 21st annual convention at the beautiful Mount Airy Lodge in Mount Pocono, Pa. Hosting this year's convention, attended by many Rings around the country, was Ring #20 of Kearney, N.J. The honorees this year were: Joe McHugh, Freddie Mueller, Danny Koplick, Jim Harkins, Joe Nolan, Virginia O'Kelley, Paul Venti and Jimmy Clinch, along with Louis N. Forman, who was honored posthumously. The invited honored guests included: Robert W. Lee, President of USBA International, who was guest speaker at the dinner; Congressman Pat Williams; Heavyweight champion Larry Holmes; and boxing writer Harry Warren. The chairman of this convention was Paul Venti, who, along with his committee, did a nice job...

The Month of November, 1983: Heavyweight champ, Larry Holmes, along with exchamps; Melio Bettina, Willie Pastrano, Lou Ambers, Mando Ramos, Harry Jeffra and Sal Bartolo all celebrated their birthdays. "Happy Birthday Champs". Former ranked welterweight contender of the 1969s Gil Turner of Philadelphia is still involved with the boxing game. He's now chairman for the Junior Amateur Boxing in the City of Brotherly Love. Turner is also the uncle of Frank "The Animal "Fletcher, currently Philly middleweight...Andy "Pop" Brown, former boxer, trainer, manager, promoter and publist, recently received a well-deserved citation and special award from VBA Ring 32 Detroit, Mich. Its president, Taylor Smith, made the presentation to "Pop" on his 75th birthday, citing his many achievements in boxing...Ben "The Bomber" Murell, former boxer and one-time promising welter of the 30s-40s era, is a referee for the N.Y. State Athletic Commission and also an all-around official New York State baseball umpire, basketball official and Little League Baseball President. Ben is also a member of the Columbia County Board of Supervisors in the city of Hudson, N.Y.

LEONARD RETURNS

13 months of speculation end as Sugar Ray vows to conquer new crowns.

No longer is it rumor. No longer is it speculation. No longer is it heresay. Sugar Ray Leonard is coming back.

On December 10, minutes after boxing three rounds in an exhibition against Herman Epps, followed by three more against Odell Leonard inside Hangar 3 at Andrews Air Force Base in front of only media and Air Force personnel, Leonard held a press conference to announce his return to the ring, thus ending 13 months of retirement.

It was on November 9, 1982—six months after undergoing surgery to repair a partially detached retina in his left eye—Leonard, dressed in a black tuxedo, stood in front of a star-studded audience in Baltimore's Civic Centre and announced his retirement from boxing. However, exactly one year later—the night before the Marvelous Marvin Hagler-Roberto Duran fight—while relaxing in a Las Vegas hotel lounge, Leonard confided to RING editor Randy Gordon, "If Duran beats Hagler, I'm coming back." He refused, though, to divulge his plans in the event of a Hagler victory. It was speculated that he'd watch Hagler closely, studying his every move. An awesome showing by Hagler might keep Leonard in retirement, it was thought. On November 10, already leaning towards a return to the ring, Leonard saw all he had to see. Hagler did not look awesome in defeating Duran. Leonard's mind was made up.

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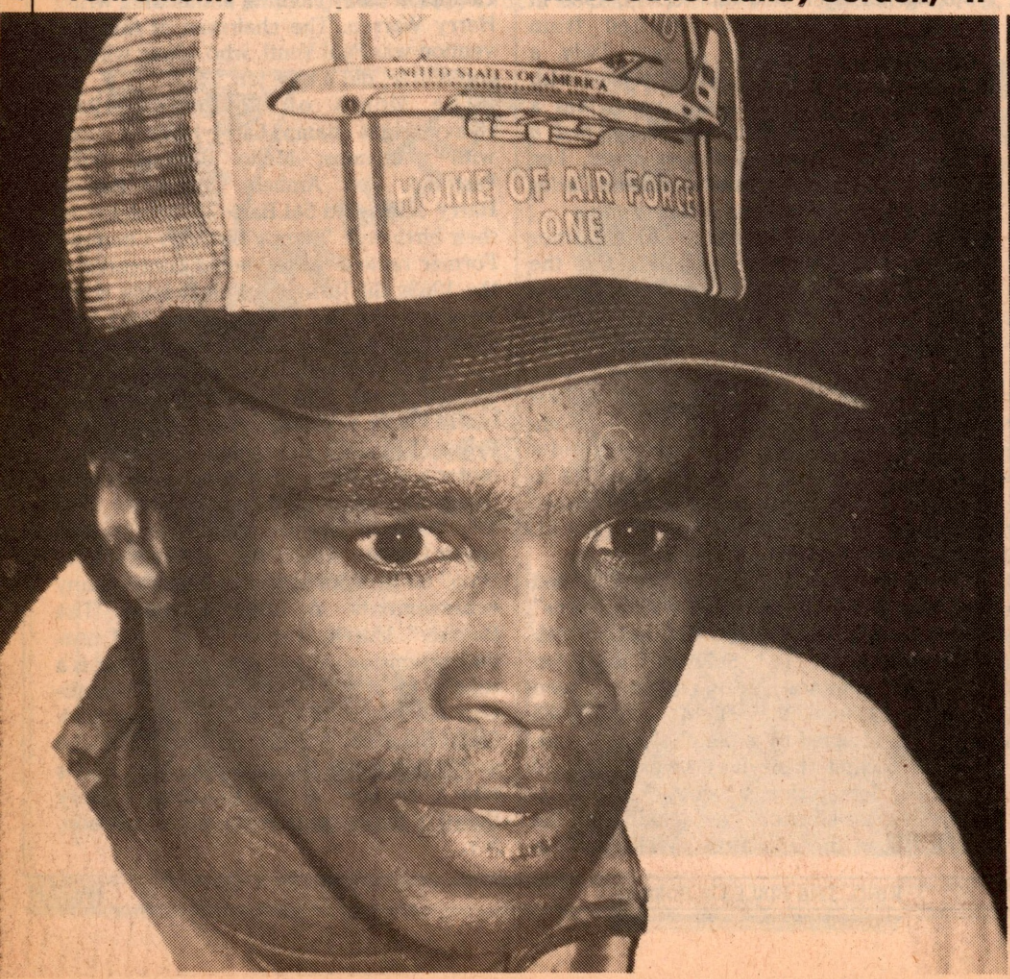

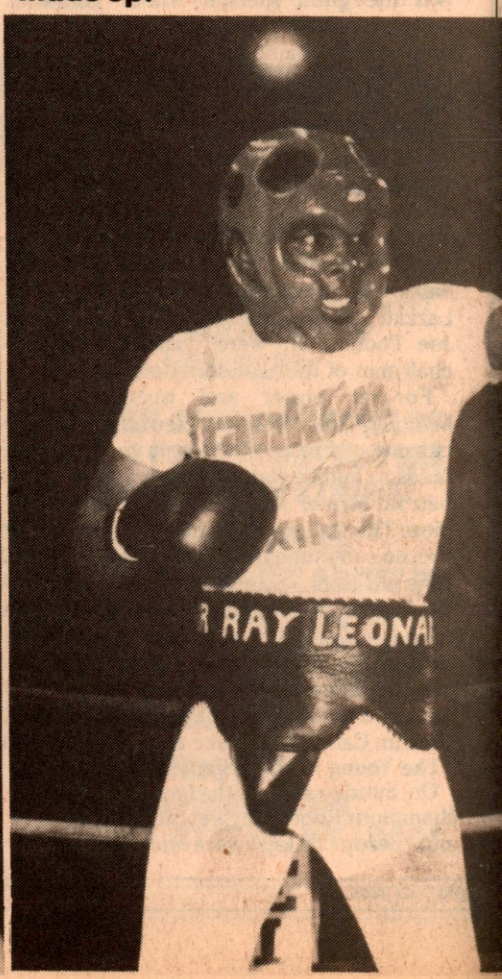

On December 1, the RING offices received a call from Charles Brottman, Leonard's press agent, inviting RING's editors to cover Leonard's December 10 exhibition and ensuing press conference at Andrews Air Force Base. Brottman didn't say anything of what the press conference was to be about. He didn't have to. Surely, Leonard was not going to box six rounds in an exhibition, only to announce he was still retired. Though it was all but spelled out, many fans, insiders and members of the boxing media refused to take seriously any talk of Leonard returning. Then, on a clear, chilly Washington, D.C., night, after boxing with Epps (flooring him in the final round with a right) and Leonard (no relation), Sugar Ray held his press conference.

No sooner had Leonard sat down at a long table on a stage, Ed Schuyler of the Associated Press asked him, "Are you coming back?" His reply was, "Yes, I am. But it's not a comeback. I'm back!"

Leonard called the injury to his eye and his recovery "messages, telling me it was time to retire," then added, "but maybe I got the messages a little confused."

Pressed further for answers on why he was returning, the former welterweight and junior middleweight champion said, "Because I'm a competitor. I'm 27. I'm in my prime. Being realistic, no competitor can be content having to watch the action from the sidelines." He said he had consulted with family, friends and the man who operated on his eye, Dr. Ronald G. Michels, about his intended return to the ring, and all gave their approval, though some hesitatingly.

"Quite naturally, Juanita (Ray's wife) does not agree with my return," said Leonard. "She doesn't agree, but she still loves me."

Leonard called his retirement premature, saying, "It was something I didn't want to do. I was on a roll in my career, and then I had to accept stepping down. Inside, I really wasn't ready to retire. I felt I was denied history, denied the chance to make history."

Leonard who weighed 151 pounds for the exhibition, said he will resume his career in February or March with a 10-round fight or two, then mentioned Aaron Pryor, Donald Curry, Milton McCrory, Roberto Duran, Thomas Hearns and Marvelous Marvin Hagler as possible opponents.

"I want to continue to dominate my division," said Leonard, "maybe even the junior middleweight and middleweight divisions. I can only look down the road to being greater, being bigger than life."

For over one year, Leonard teased the media and his adoring public with talk of returning. But he's not teasing any more. Sugar is back.

How sweet it is.

photo by William Hart

IN EXCLUSIVE *RING* INTERVIEW:

DON KING O.K.'S COETZEE BOUT IN SOUTH AFRICA

"IT CAN ALWAYS BE ARRANGED... IF KUSHNER GIVES ME SOMETHING THAT I THINK IS FAIR AND HE WANTS HIS FIGHTER TO FIGHT IN SOUTH AFRICA, SO BE IT."

BY BEN SHARAV

Boxing promoter Don King, who has continuously denounced South Africa and anyone who does business there, told *The Ring* in an exclusive interview that he is willing to allow Gerrie Coetzee, the WBA heavyweight champion who is bound contractually to King, to defend his title in the "Apartheid State." King repeated his oft-made statement that he will never promote in South Africa, but he invited Cedric Kushner, Coetzee's co-promoter, to buy out King's rights to one fight and to stage it in South Africa. If the deal is arranged, King, while not himself promoting in South Africa, will profit handsomely—perhaps making over $1 million—from a South African connection.

Old-line Kings went to Windsor Castle to escape the hustle and bustle of London. The nouveaux rich Kings, Donald and Henrietta, get away from it all at their 500-acre farm in Windsor, Ohio.

The headquarters of Don King Productions is in the section of New York that is invariably referred to as "Manhattan's 'swank' Upper East Side." The four-story brownstone building on East 69th Street, occupied entirely by King, is a block away from Fifth Avenue and Central Park and seems a more likely site for some high-priced doctors' offices or for a jewelry store that sees customers by appointment than for the operating headquarters for a fight promoter.

Walking in through the door and looking straight ahead, one faces an oil painting showing Don King decked out in his gold and diamond jewelry and white fur coat, testimony to Thorsten Veblen's theory of conspicuous consumption. To the left and to the right, reaching up to the 20-foot ceiling, are two larger-than-life black-and-white photographs of King's heavyweight champions: Larry Holmes and Michael Dokes. While Gerrie Coetzee's recent knockout of Dokes has drastically altered King's plans, the change is not reflected in DK's wall.

King's publicity agent, Murray Goodman, ushered us up in DK's private elevator. "And don't ask dirty questions!," Murray admonished. "Ask good questions."

The man who would be fielding the questions, the self-proclaimed "World's Greatest Promoter," was sitting behind his desk with his jacket off and his tie loosened—just another hard-working businessman. But the trappings were not those of just any businessman: The famous necklace with the gold and diamond Don King logo and the hair standing up in its Elsa Lanchester fashion set King apart from the crowd.

We put two tape recorders on Don King's desk—one for our records and one for his, clearly establishing our adversarial relationship—and started talking. While it had been hard to get the interview, once it was under way King gave it his undivided attention, holding all calls and interruptions for a full hour.

RING: The last time we spoke was after the Coetzee-Dokes fight, so let's start there. You cheered for Dokes during the whole fight, imploring him on. Coetzee was supposed to be the guy who lacked confidence yet Dokes was the one who seemed more scared. Why do you think that was?

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"It's difficult to say what Dokes was thinking about. Perhaps he was thinking about T-shirts."

KING: I think that Dokes was not Dokes. I think that Dokes was a guy that was trying to deal with all the intricacies of the business world as well as the boxing world. When fighters get the wrinkles out of their belly they tend to forget and they suffer from a dreaded disease called "amnesia". And when you're climbing the ladder of success, when you catch the disease—it's lethal. It's difficult to say what Dokes was thinking about. Perhaps he was thinking about T-shirts. Because I was having a bit of a problem with him about the business matters of the fight. He wanted to become the cook, the bottle-washer, the farmer who grew the cows and made the steaks. He wanted to do it all. When a fighter starts trying to do it all other than practicing what's he's in the ring to do, they always have problems.

RING: Even before the fight, people were questioning Dokes' dedication. For instance, Dick Young wrote that Dokes' idea of training is cutting dowm from two girls a night to one. The other thing, which you can't avoid hearing, is that Dokes uses cocaine. Do you think of those allegations are true?

KING: I don't think that Dokes is using cocaine. I think that Dokes is like any other young fighter that gains fame, acclaim and affluence. It's very difficult to handle. Especially so when you never had anything before. I think that his peccadilloes. . .he has to get out of the fast lane and go back to the fundamentals of being Dokes. His mother is a beautiful lady and a very Christian lady and a church-going person who believes in God. Well, Dokes seems to have lost his sense of values temporarily. I think loss may perhaps bring him back to his senses. I don't know whether he's training on girls or not. I think he's like any other athlete. You know what I mean: Women seem to discover them at the height of their career, at the height of their exposure. So, he just has to be worked with, disciplined and talked to and given some tender loving care and understanding. I think Dokes will be a tremendous fighter again.

RING: Do you still have him under contract?

KING: Yes. When you lose the title, that doesn't mean you lose the contract to what you had. You know what I mean, just like when you win the title, it don't mean you win brains, PHD's and MBA's.

RING: Getting away from Dokes now, you have Coetzee under promotional contract. It seems it may be up to you to choose who gets first crack at Coetzee's title. Who are you looking at now? Who do you think is next?

KING: Well, we don't really know who the next one is going to be. We're discussing Tim Witherspoon; we're discussing Trevor Berbick; we're discussing guys in the top ten that he can beat and Cedric Kushner and myself and Peter Venison will ultimately resolve who the next opponent will be.

RING: All of you said after the fight that Coetzee is not going to fight in South Africa. But now his people—Kushner and Venison—are saying that they would like to do a title defense in South Africa. There's a lot of money there and right now he would be such a draw there that Coetzee and the promoters would make a lot more money promoting in South Africa than here. Now I know that you personally would not want to promote or do business with South Africa, but if you were offered a large sum of money to sell your rights to the promotion, and allow them to stage a Coetzee fight in the Apartheid country, would you accept it?

"If Kushner wants to put Coetzee's fight in South Africa, then naturally he has to make arrangements to buy my rights and then he can do whatever he has to do."

KING: Well, I have a co-promotion agreement and demand that I will not promote in South Africa. However, that cannot preclude this man (Cedric Kushner) who is also a South African, who is my co-promoter, to promote there. If he buys out my promotional rights, if he gives me something that I think is fair and he wants his fighter to fight in South Africa, so be it. All I can truthfully say is that I'm not going to South Africa to promote Coetzee, but it can always be arranged because he brought Coetzee to me. If Kushner wants to put Coetzee's fight in South Africa, then naturally he has to make arrangement s to buy my rights and then he can do whatever he has to do. That's his business.

RING: Will you ever call Bob Arum "The Apostle of Apartheid" again? Is there a difference between what you're doing and what he does?

KING: I don't promote in the racist state of South Africa. Am I supposed to discriminate against a fighter, Coetzee, because of where he comes from? He was the number one contender, he's living in the United States now, and I got him the title fight which he deserved.

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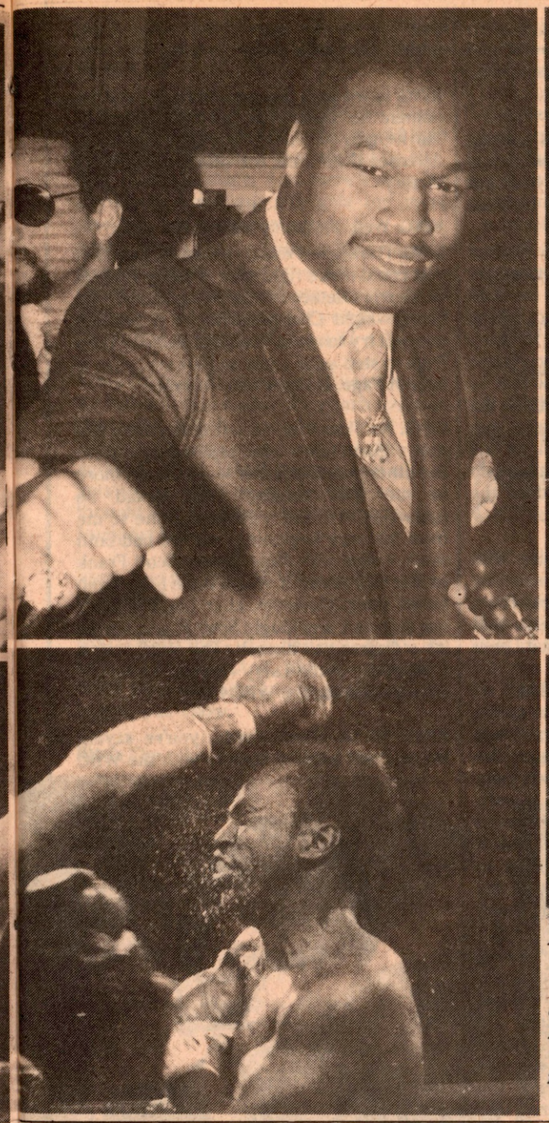
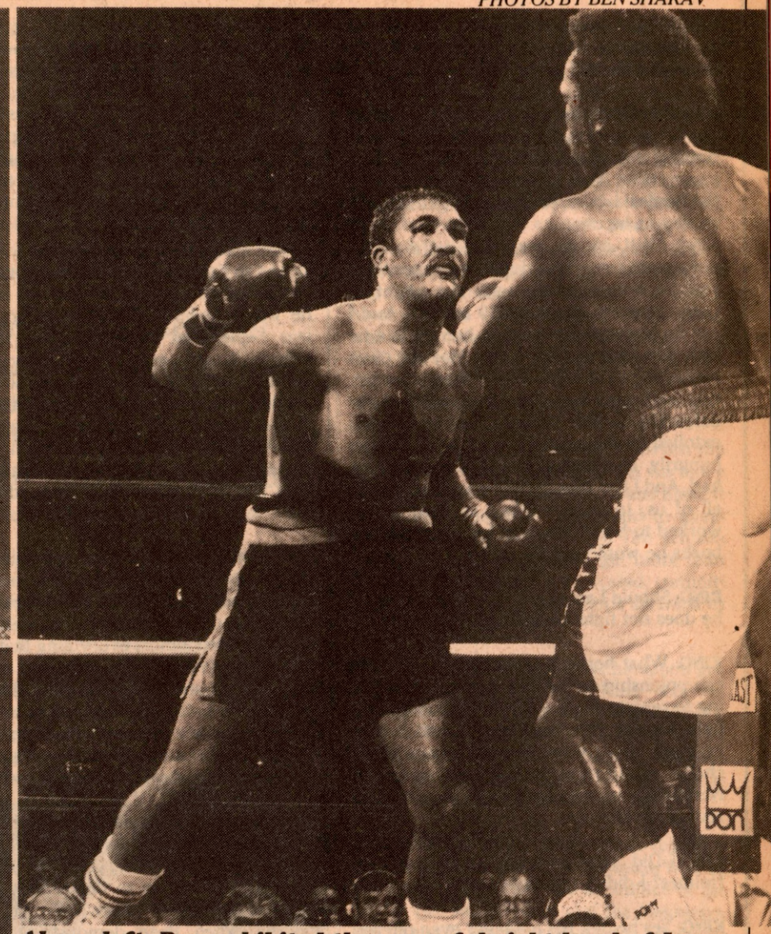




Above left: Don exhibited the powerful right hand of Larry Holmes when they announced the Holmes-Cooney signing in 1982, but he now says of the Heavyweight Champion, "He discredited himself. . .For a few measly bucks he would sell his soul."; Above and left: Coetzee used his money punch, the right hand, to knock out Dokes, who was too busy "thinking about T-shirts." King has disclosed that he would sell a Coetzee defense to South African interests.

RING: Let's talk about Larry Holmes. He seems to have broken away from you, after you promoted all of his title fights through the end of 1982. His last two fights—Scott Frank and Marvis Frazier—have been for Bob Andreoli, even though thte WBC wanted him to fight Greg Page, the number one contender. If he fights Page, you're involved in it once more. What do you think about what Holmes has been doing?

KING: Well, let me say this about Larry Holmes: Larry Holmes, to me, is like a son. He's a guy that I've put many hours in—many years time. I think he's a great fighter; I think he developed into a fantastic fighter. I tried very hard to instill in him the qualities that I think would be nice for a young man coming into the sporting game of boxing to embody. So I have a great deal of love and understanding for Larry Holmes. I feel, however, that Larry Holmes did himself an injustice in fighting guys of a Scott Frank and Lucien Rodriguez caliber. Rodriguez, I figure, you could kind of halfway condone because it's not good for a fighter to fight all wars. He should be able to fight and come back and he came back and fought Tim Witherspoon on May 20 in the "Crown Affair." And again, he showed the gallant heart of a champion because Witherspoon had come within an nth degree of becoming heavyweight champion. Had Witherspoon been more experienced. . . Larry's experience and guttiness and his champion's heart and never-say-die attitude prevailed and brought him out of that one. Larry said he would retire and then, he changed his mind ultimately to go into looking for money rather than for the glory of the game. I think he discredited himself there and did irreparable harm to his image. I, for one, recommended that he didn't do it. He, however, wanted money, and it's more or less for the money that he's doing what

he's doing. It's against my wishes. Not for the money that would come to me, but for the labor that we did in the boxing vineyard.

RING: Yes, but you know what Larry would say to that: that the labor which you did was nothing compared to the punches that he had to take. That he's the one who's doing the hardest labors, so he should get as much money as he can.

KING: Well, it's the way you get it—some money ain't worth having. I can sympathize and be commisserate with the plight of Larry Holmes who has $10 million. And I can understand that he'd be hungry like he had zero dollars. But Larry Holmes owes something to himself. Rather than to be getting lambasted all across the country. After defending his title 16 times, instead of being extolled for the accolades that he desired so hungrily, he's losing what little respect he had. And I feel that that's a wasted effort for all of us, to have worked as hard as we worked to build him, that for a few measly bucks he would sell his soul.

RING: Should Larry be stripped of his title if he does not fight Greg Page?

KING: What bothers me is that we got the championship on the rule that he's now trying to renege on. You know, Norton got the fight for the title because Ali and Spinks reneged on giving him the mandatory challenge. All right, so now here we come. Norton got in, and then Norton wanted to renege on Holmes.

RING: Did Norton want to renege on Holmes? I didn't remember that.

KING: Yes he did. His manager even offered me a million dollars—told me they were taking him to Europe for a couple of fights, and I would have promotional rights on him and we would deal past Holmes. But I wouldn't stand for it then and I'm shocked and hurt and disappointed to see Larry Holmes try to do the same thing.

RING: So you're used to it now and you expect it from fighters?

KING: They all could want the same things, but I was very hurt that Larry Holmes would come up with that because I raised Larry. And I picked every opponent that Larry fought. And I worked and maneuvered him right into position and carried him to his heavyweight championship tenure. We discussed it. He said he would fight Page. He signed to fight Page and then he wanted to renege. And then he made another deal, that he would fight Page if we give him a release for Scott Frank. So he got the release for Frank, which was an optional defense, and every chanmpion is entitled to an optional defense. But then he went and signed to fight Marvis Frazier in an unsanctioned fight.

RING: But at the time that he was fighting Frank, everyone already knew that it was part of the package Andreoli had put together: Frank and then Frazier, both on NBC.

KING: That's not altogether true. He had signed to fight Marvis Frazier, but then Andreoli couldn't deliver Frazier on the date he was scheduled to be delivered, which was September 30th. In order to keep Larry's mouth quiet, he had to throw another cookie in there; feed him so that he wouldn't run off at the mouth. And pull out of the contract. So the other cookie was Scott Frank, which they threw in on the September date that he was supposed to fight Marvis Frazier. Then they added the other fight to this comedy of errors.

RING: Let's talk about your standing with Greg Page. You just settled a lawsuit that Butch Lewis had filed in New York. From the terms of the settlement, it seems that you conceded almost everything that Lewis had demanded.

KING: No, I conceded everything that I offered Lewis before we even went to court. Butch Lewis is a promoter like myself and he put in a lot of time with Greg Page. The record would indicate that I told Lewis from the beginning that "if you want to be with Page, you should come in and we should work together." However, he didn't want it that way. And so, he persuaded Page to have some doubt as to the validity of the contract that Page's father had signed with me. So when Page demonstrated some dubiousness as to that regard, I released Page free and clear even though I had performed up to the contract that Page's father had signed before his untimely death.

So now, six months later, Page comes back. And when he comes back he brings his lawyer and his representatives of the Greg Page Enterprises which entered into another agreement with me. And they absolutely and categorically denied having any connections with Butch Lewis, and they had sworn affidavits to that effect. So I entered into an agreement with Page for a second situation, which we are still enjoying. But still I told Butch, "What is the price you want? Because you had worked with the guy, and I know how hard it is to develop these fighters, and I wouldn't want no one to take my fighter. If you ain't got no agreement, you can't do anything about it." But I still wanted to be fair with him, so I offered him $200,000 if he wanted to deal with the fighter. Butch turned that down. So at the end of this case, the same $200,000 that was on the table before, was on the table. I felt Butch deserved that.

RING: Lewis says that according to your settlement he doesn't just get $200,000 once, but he gets $200,000 for Page's first three defenses if he wins the title. So he won a victory.

KING: Well, that's not quite true.

RING: The biggest money potential fight that you could make right now is Larry Holmes vs. Gerrie Coetzee for the undisputed World Heavyweight Championship. Is it possible you will try to make that fight and pay Greg Page to step aside again so that everyone is happy: Page, Holmes and Coetzee.

KING: No, I can't be no part of anything like that. I guess that's what separates me from the other promoters. My word means more to me than money. That would be hypocrisy. Had Larry Holmes come to me from the very beginning, and we had both made a deal with Page, before Scott Frank or Marvis Frazier, it would have been a different story. However, after Larry Holmes has defected, and fought Scott Frank, I think it's a disgrace to himself. The WBC title is what really made Larry Holmes, not Larry Holmes making the WBC title.

RING: So in other words, you're saying Holmes will have to comply with the WBC

Butch Lewis (left) sued King over

rules and fight Page. And a Holmes-Coetzee fight will not happen at least until Holmes beats Page.

KING: Absolutely. I think if Holmes is successful at beating Page then he should fight anyone he wants and Coetzee will be standing right out there. And there'll be a big payday and nothing will give me more pleasure than to promote that.

RING: While we're still talking heavyweights, what about the Dokes-Weaver fights? The referee and you took a lot of flack over the first one. Do you thing Joey Curtis was wrong in stopping it?

KING: I'm from the school of philosophy that it's better to stop a fight one punch too soon than one punch too late. And I think everyone of good conscience would have to agree with that. I think the man had a lot of guts to do what he did. He did what he thought was right in his best judgment. And I support him.

RING: And the rematch? Was the draw decision right?

KING: Well, that's the decision; that's the way they saw it. And, like it or dislike it that's what prevails. I have to support the judges, you know.

RING: The other heavyweight I want to talk about is Tim Witherspoon. This question relates more to his manager, your stepson Carl King, who is seen by many as a front man for you. I spoke to Witherspoon in Cleveland and he's unhappy with his relationship with Carl King. He believes that Carl King doesn't stand up for his—Witherspoon's—rights as much as a manager who was independent from you would. Do you think Carl King acts as any other manager in negotiations with you, fighting hard for his fighters, or are his fighters cheated because he's so close to you?

"Tim Witherspoon would've never had a heavyweight championship fight if it hadn't have been for Carl King."

KING: On the contrary. Tim Witherspoon would've never had a heavyweight championship fight if it hadn't have been for Carl King. You know, fighters sometimes lose sight of the fact of what really is going on. Carl has been a manager and being my son he did have extra influence on me that others would not have had. And having Tim Witherspoon, he pursued this night, day, morning, breakfast, noon and night to make certain that Tim gets a chance to get in the ring and fight for the title. And Tim got as much as Gerrie Coetzee got for his fight, so it's no different, except that Carl was his manager and Carl has worked very hard for Tim.

They (fighters) think it's bold to talk about the hand that feeds them. I ain't never seen no fighter in the history of the world that ever thought he got enough money. They all got inflated ideas of what they're worth. I must take part of the guilt for that because I pay fighters more than anyone else in the history of the world. And so Witherspoon was really referring to Scott Frank getting $350,000 vis-a-vis his getting $200,000. But I can't stop that.

RING: Well, he says he got much less than $200,000.

KING: Oh, no. You got to read between the lines. When a guy's trying to get his story across, he wants to compound it and make it as strong as possible. They tend to exaggerate. But, you know, I love Tim Witherspoon. I think he's going to get more than his share because he's a dedicated, committed, training type of guy. I look forward to great things from Tim.

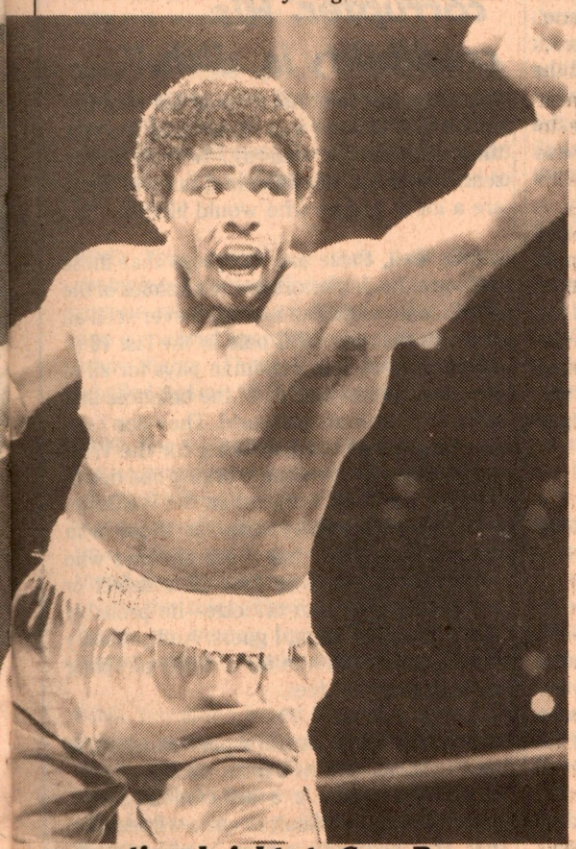
RING: You said before that Witherspoon got a title shot because Carl King was his manager and Carl King had extra influence on you. Reading between the lines, as you put it, a fighter who wants to get a title shot should go sign Carl King as his manager. Is this proper or a conflict of interest?

KING: When a white family works together and is successful, nobody complains. When I work with my family it's a conflict of interest. The Rockefellers and the Kennedys are praised for their dynasties, but I'm condemned.

RING: Moving from heavyweights down to featherweights, what's going to happen now with the Juan LaPorte-Wilfredo Gomez fight that you had been working on?

KING: I sent out letters to all the networks offering the LaPorte-Gomez fight for the price the fighters are asking—one million and a quarter for the match. We'll wait and see what happens. I have two signed contracts. One from LaPorte and one from Gomez, which Howie Albert is having great difficulty with. So he came and told me to try and make the match.

RING: Howie Albert and Juan LaPorte made some nasty accusations about you, charging that you had coerced Juan LaPorte into signing a contract. You then held a press conference in New York in which you angrily denied the accusations and you said, "My philosophy is that you reward your friends



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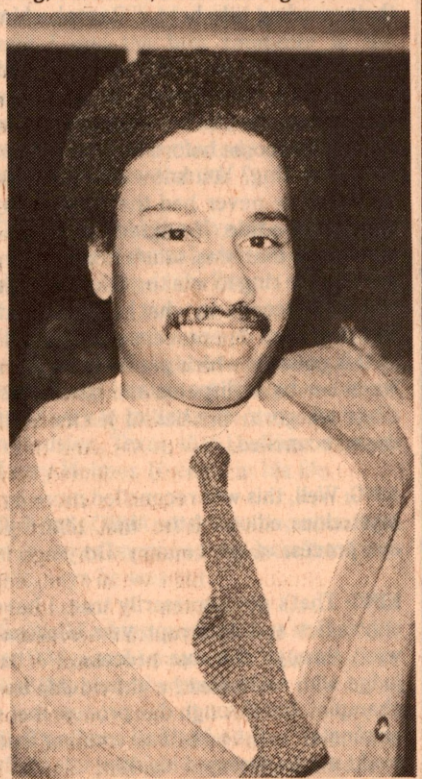

Carl King has the inside track on getting his fighters title shots.

PHOTO BY JACK GOODMAN

Close friends Robert Arum and Donald King.

and you send your enemies away." And then you said, and I'm paraphrasing, "The hell with LaPorte. I'm tearing up the contract he signed with me and I'm matching Gomez against Hector Camacho." But now you're going back to LaPorte. What happened?

KING: You're absolutely correct. I do believe in rewarding my friends and sending my enemies away. I don't understand the priorities of rewarding the enemy. Howie Albert came to me. I told Howie Albert when he came to my house to visit that I would do the match but it has to be predicated upon one condition and that proviso is that he, LaPorte, Carlos Espada, Yamil Chade, who were in the car when the contract was signed hold a press conference together so that they can clear the record. Because everything that Howie Albert told the papers after that was a categoric lie.

RING: The recent case of Bobby Chacon being stripped of his WBC junior lightweight championship because of a dispute which he had with you has brought new focus on the relationship that you have with the WBC and its president, Jose Sulaiman. Is it just a figment of people's imagination that Sulaiman is biased in your favor, that the WBC ratings are rigged in favor of Don King fighters?

KING: It most certainly is a figment of people's imagination. If you envy me whatever modicum of success that I enjoy, you must also envy me my time, my labor, my finance, my sacrifice, my anxiety, my frustration and my determination, because I work. I don't give Jose Sulaiman much choice but to rule with me because he be ruling with right. He don't be ruling with Don King.

Jose Sulaiman is the greatest boxing man that I've ever met. I think he is a knight in shining armor for the boxer, but I always insulate myself with the rules.

RING: Well, all right. But what about the case of Bobby Chacon. You wanted him to fight Hector Camacho, who was not ranked number one. He went instead and fought Cornelius Boza Edwards, the number one contender, and won. Why should he have been stripped of his title after that?

KING: I think he should've been stripped of his title much sooner than Jose decided to strip him. But, however, since I don't run the WBC and since I don't make the rules, all I can do is holler for the fighter who is being wronged. In this particular case it was Hector Camacho.

Chacon would not have been the champion... You keep forgetting... How did he get to be champion? If the contract that he signed with me was wrong, then he's not the champion, because it was my contract he went into the ring with.

RING: No, he's a champion because he bet the preceding title holder, Bazooka Limon.

KING: Yeah, but he would've never had the opportunity. You can't, you know, what comes first, the chicken or the egg? Do the signing first come before he goes in there to do the fighting? You know what I mean? So he would've never had the opportunity to fight for the title. He agreed to terms and conditions that was satisfactory to him to get into the ring to win the title, and then he wanted to renege on what he had signed for. So I then used due process and contract law of this country which prevents chaos. And when we have disputes and misunderstandings we go to the bar of justice to have them reconciled.

RING: Well, this was reconciled more by the mysterious edicts of the WBC than by the due process of this country. Do you...

KING: That's not necessarily true. I have to contradict and interrupt you because he went through the due process. He had a judge who ruled that he should still be the champion but through due process that was eliminated and he just had a ruling that he could not be restored his title.

RING: Yes, but the court never said that what the WBC did was proper or ethical.

"Bob Arum is a self-confessed corrupter. His credibility is zilch."

The court just said that it could not take the action that Chacon was demanding. Do you think the WBC is well-run? Nobody's ever seen a financial report from them and there are a lot of people who would like to.

KING: Well, those are the ploys that those who are the detractors or the enemies of the WBC come with. But nobody's ever seen all the bills that the WBC paid in the last 10 or 12 years; that Jose Sulaiman pays for all of the conventions and all of the balances that are left all around the world. They don't see how a guy has been working for the WBC for 10 years for free and working like hell to support the WBC rather than the WBC support him. There's reports for those who want to see them, but those enemies who are looking for some kind of a defect or something they can criticize—he probably don't give it to them, I guess. And probably the ones that ask him for it never pay their dues or sanction fees.

RING: Well, Bob Arum's paid sanctioning fees to them, and he's been asking.

KING: Bob Arum is a self-confessed corrupter. It's very difficult to use a witness like that. His credibility is zilch, is virtually nil.

Here's a man who in your magazine (See Arum interveiw, May, 1983) confessed to bribing officials of the WBA and said that this guy (Pepe Cordero) would be instrumental in anything you want fixed, that he could fix it. And for the same things that he confessed to, just the innuendos and accusations of me cause an onslaught of investigations and persecutions and harassment. I'm investigated by the government for rumors, when he admits to doing the very things that I'M accused of.

RING: Arum admitted to those things, but in the same article, he also said that you do the same things.

KING: Well, now, he can't dictate what I do. He can only confess what he do. He don't know what I do when I close my doors unless he got just a Big Brother from George Orwell in *1984* with TV cameras and microphones on me. That's very presumptuous, for Mr. Arum to say what I did.

RING: Several writers have been criticizing your operation lately. There was the Michael Katz piece in *The New York Times*, which I think you interpreted as hostile, and just recently Jack Newfield did a long story on you in the *Village Voice* in which he charged that you and the WBC collude to rig rankings and enforce rules selectively so as to foster your boxing monopoly. Newfield says you would not talk to him.

KING: I've never spoken to Newfield ever, and he never tried to reach me in his life. The only time that I've heard anything about Newfield was after that story ran and a friend of his told me that Jack wanted to talk to me.

RING: Your critics say that you control championships indefinitely by compelling anyone who wants to fight for the title to sign a contract granting you options on his future fights. That's what Bobby Chacon rebelled against. Is it improper?

KING: There's nothing wrong with options. Options are everywhere. In movies, in sports. Options is not a dirty word. I need to pay my overhead you know. I invest a lot of time and money in developing a fighter and then I deserve to reap the rewards. I didn't invent the rules. They would say, "Figure, figure, no money for the nigger." But I played within the rules and was successful.

RING: You didn't invest time and money in Bobby Chacon. And you didn't invest time and money in Gerrie Coetzee. He never had anything to do with you before his title fight with Dokes. So why should you have options on them?

KING: So I invested in the title. I invested in Michael Dokes and I'm getting the rewards.

RING: In Gerrie Coetzee's case, he was the number one contender already, so according to the WBA rules he had to be given a shot at the title. He was a free agent. He could have refused to sign away any of his rights and Dokes would have been required to fight him or be stripped. So why did Coetzee sign a contract with you that gives you options on him for as long as he holds the crown? Is it that his people believed, with good reason, that if they did not sign with you, you would manage to freeze Coetzee out of a title shot despite the rules?

"Out of all the fighters that I have developed, fed, clothed, financed, Coetzee is the only one who had the decency to say thanks."

KING: Why would you look at it from the negative view? Why can't you look at it in the way that it really is? They walked into this office—I didn't send for them. And I certainly didn't point no gun to their head. I didn't coerce, intimidate or bribe to get them to come. They came because they thought I was the best promoter in the world.

And out of all the fighters that I have developed, worked with, fed, housed and financed, Coetzee is the only one that had the decency to say thanks.

RING: Yes, he said the day after that if his kid—who was about to be born—would be a boy he might name him Don.

KING: Yes. And ain't none of them do that, none of the black fighters, including Larry Holmes. But Holmes set the pace for all fighters to try to criticize me 'cause he told a lie in Houston, Texas, that I cut him. I never cut Larry Holmes 10 cents in his life.

RING: A lot of fighters say you've either cut them or asked them to take cuts. Tex Cobb for one, says he was cut.

KING: Well, asking and cutting is two different things and I may ask it if I got a close relationship with the person.

RING: I've been told that after that Jack Newfield story which angered you so much ran in the *Village Voice*, you approached certain black clergymen in New York to ask them to instigate a boycott of the *Voice*.

KING: You know, I think all these guys is dreaming. They're having hallucinations. What Jack Newfield wrote was vicious lies, I think it's yellow journalism, I think it's muckraking and smut-carrying. It's vilification and slander, all with a concocted view from my detractors and those who I have outcompeted in the American system of free enterprise.

This is what they are all hollering about, because I outcompete them. It makes it difficult for them to continue to demonstrate their own inadequacy and accept it when they see me taking the possible out of the impossible and snatching victory from the jaws of defeat. With all the accusations and vilifications the fighters continue to gravitate toward me because I'm still the best promoter out there. It's not done from no coercion, no intimidation.

RING: You don't have the formal education that some of your competitors have and you didn't start out with a lot of money like some of them did. What do you think it is that makes you better than them at the game you play?

KING: Integrity, number one. Even in a business that's predicated on lies I refuse to become a part of the lies that is all-consuming.

RING: Are you saying that a nice guy finished first?

KING: Well, it's not to be a nice guy. But after every onslaught of every investigation that has been leveled at me, the fighters may move away from me during the height of the heat but they come back to me by default.

RING: It's been said that your chief talent is that you're a great salesman, that in your promotions your backers tend to lose money and you emerge unscathed.

KING: Repeat trade is the whole essence of business and I don't have nobody that don't want to do business with me again, so I think that answers it.

RING: I can think of several people who don't want to do business with you again, notably the RSVP (Reserved Seat Video Productions) network that lost money on The Crown Affair that you promoted in Las Vegas and the Olympic Stadium in Montreal that took a pasting on the Duran Leonard fight up there.

But Duran wound up as a loss for you. You cursed him out after he lost to Kirkland Laing. You had him under contract but you tore the contract up and said that he was through. Turns out he wasn't.

KING: Well, I sit here in judgment that I have to accept. I love Roberto Duran and Roberto Duran was with me for 10 years and turned down $10 million to stay with me rather than go behind my back. Before the Sugar Ray Leonard fight in Montreal, Leonard's people and Shelley Finkel went to Panama and offered him $10 million to go along with them. Duran said he'd rather not have the money if he had to do it without Don King. So the affection I have for Roberto Duran is priceless.

So I seen Roberto Duran put on such a poor performance with Kirkland Laing, and I'd been watching him as he'd go down the line for the last two or three performances, from the "*no mas, no mas*," when I stood up for him. My love for Roberto Duran dictated that I brought him into this room and said, "Roberto, seemingly you cannot dedicate yourself to train properly any more, and since you cannot commit yourself to the rigorous schedule that's required by a fighter of your magnitude, I would suggest that you quit."

I gave him a parting gift and told him, "You can be a commentator on my network, We'll help you any way that we can. We want to remain friends." Roberto Duran cried right there in the chair where you're sitting at.

RING: Did you have any hard feelings when he signed with Bob Arum?

KING: No hard feelings. I sent him a telegram congratulating him when he beat Davey Moore.

RING: Speaking of setbacks and blunders, you've been barred from promoting any fights in the Atlantic City casinos. The Casino Control Commission there says that they allowed you to withdraw your application for a license after you refused to show them your financial records. Why did you not want the Casino Control Commission to see your books?

KING: Because the government got my books. I'm being investigated, man, it's unbelievable. The harassment, persecution I'm having to go through and still do business. That's what makes me so phenomenal: to be able to function under this type of stress. The books are right down there in the Southern District of New York.

I withdrew my application. I can still promote in New Jersey; I just can't promote in the casino. It's enough having one government body looking over my shoulder without soliciting another one to investigate me. I'd be waiving my privileges. And aint nobody sane gonna do that.

RING: So you feel you're being harassed by the United States Government.

"Since 1979 they've been investigating me. In 3½ years they ain't got nothing on me yet. You know, they're gonna fabricate something pretty soon."

KING: Absolutely. You know it. Anybody with any kind of sense knows it. Four years on an investigation that's supposed to be all-comprehensive on boxing? But all they could do is single out me to be investigating. Arum is out here, the Duvas is out here, since 1979 this investigation has been going on. In three-and-a half years they ain't got nothing on me yet. You know, they're gonna fabricate something, pretty soon they'll have to make something up because I just went through three United States Attorneys: Dominic Amoroso—he done resigned—, now they got Ronnie Mann—she's getting ready to resign—, and John Martin—he done resigned. It's like a revolving door. What is this: a continual, forever investigation?

RING: Do you think that the reason you particularly are being harassed is racism?

KING: Yes. They ain't bothered Arum; he's white and Jewish and a confessed corrupter and briber. I'm black and denying every allegation and they still keep harassing me. They try to make my denials a lie. I'm an ex-convict, of course, who's been pardoned and I worked hard to get the pardon. Nobody gave it to me. Eleven hard years of work in society, in the community earned it.

I don't understand this double and triple standard of justice that's being whupped on me. Any white guy with my position would be getting accolades, be on the cover of *Time* magazine, *Newsweek* because I did what the Norris's and the mob did, without the gun, the club and the knife.

RING: I think you used to get favorable press back when you started with Ali-Foreman in Zaire, and then with the "Thrilla in Manila." You were on the cover of *Sports Illustrated* then.

KING: That's true. The press was fair then. I had such a good relationship with the press that they started to say that I was corrupting them and they thought I was bribing the press. But the press was writing my achievements, which were phenomenal.

King keeps warm stylishly, even if it means covering up the famous hair.

RING: You started getting negative press right after the U.S. Championship Tournament which you ran in 1977 collapsed in scandal. Who was the guilty party in the crooked things that surrounded that tournament.

KING: I don't know who the guilty party was. I know one thing: that I was exonerated or I wouldn't be sitting here.

RING: There were reports then, some of which were substantiated, that you had made payments to some members of the press at that time.

Don and his Christmas money-tree: "I pay fighters more than anyone else in the history of the world."

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KING: That was Bob Arum rearing his ugly head again. You got guys like Dave Anderson at *The New York Times*, whom I love—they say Arum goes to his boss, Jim Tuitte and he tells him that I bought him some golf clubs. He went around to all of them. Only one that let anybody go was *Sports Illustrated.* They fired Mark Kram but that was their loss because he was one of the best writers they had.

RING: I can't complete an interview with you without bringing up Sam Garrett, the man you were convicted of killing. What happened on that day?

KING: I don't really want to go into that, and I'm going to tell you why. It has been repeated so many times that when you get a guy like Newfield who goes back and repeats it again—they keep taking it, excerpts and putting it out of context. And it becomes a slander and a vilification for something that I am very contrite about and feel that the only way I can expiate for it is by doing good for others. So I've committed myself to perform for other people and by performing for them it's incidental that I also get some of the payback.

RING: Was the boxing business more fun when it took you to Kinshasa and Kuala Lampur and Manila than now when you go to Richfield and Fort Worth and for the really big fights, Las Vegas.

KING: Well, the reason for the exotic sites was that in most places here in America they wouldn't let blacks participate. I couldn't get money here in America, so I went around the world to get it. It was a lot of fun going around the world but the basic reason for leaving was that here, nobody would talk to you. The don't like white mavericks, so they wouldn't let a black one through the portholes to get into the arena.

And then they invited me to come home. So I came home and put on the most fantastic shows that anyone ever seen, right over here.

RING: Where is Don King headed from here? You've just signed up the rock music superstar, Michael Jackson. Will you continue to branch out of boxing and into other avenues?

KING: I'm diversifying. I went into boxing, then I went into the Don King Sports and Entertainment cable network, which is another first—ain't no other boxing promoter did that. They said I wasn't gonna last, but this is two years now, and I'm still rolling. I'm the only championship network in existence right now. I'm still small; I only have one program every third Wednesday. I'm still trying in the tradition of America and am hopeful that someone will join me in my effort so we both could become very successful financially and aesthetically and business-wise.

My entertainment segment is beginning to perk its little head up. I just happen to have the biggest act in the world that has joined me and we will make a major announcement of our plans.

It's the traditional American dream, when you go out there and you're a pioneer such as I am and a trailblazer. I'm just glad and happy to be an American, 'cause only in America could a Don King happen.

THE LONG-AWEIGHTED RETURN OF EDDIE MUSTAFA MUHAMMAD

BY P.N. EHRMANN

Though suspended in D.C., Mustafa found little trouble getting clearance to box in Wisconsin. The result was an exhibition of utter futility.

THE LITTLE MAN WITH THE CONCAVE FACE pumped his small arms over his head and did a quick victory jig. "We won!" he crowed, as the small crowd clapped.

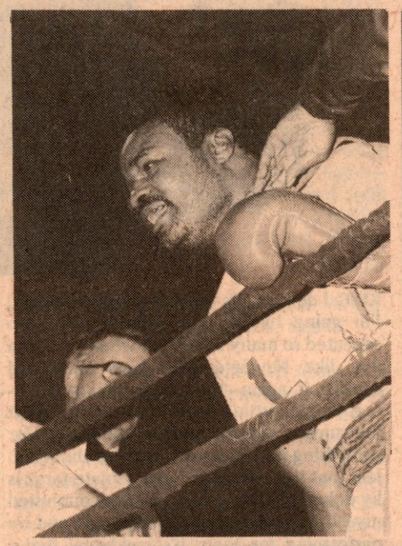
The scene was not a boxing ring, but a press conference at the Ramada Inn in downtown Milwaukee, Wis. The little man was Alan Eisenberg, controversial Milwaukee attorney and legal counsel for Able Ten Productions, a local boxing promotion outfit, and Eddie Mustafa Muhammad, former WBA light heavyweight champion, and friend of Able Ten impressario Robert Turner.

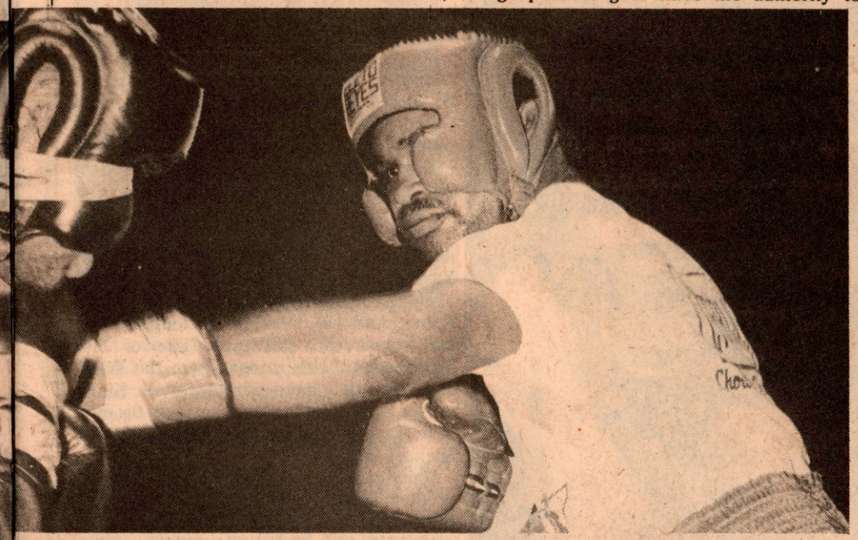
In a book published recently about one of his biggest cases (*Man Slaughter*, by Steven Englund), Alan Eisenberg is described as: "A greasy dwarf, with a physique of cream cheese and a smile of equal parts mirthlessness and insincerity." One book reviewer says it "...portrays Eisenberg as a ruthless, self-interested, media-hungry, egocentric lawyer desperate to compensate 'for his acute feelings of inferiority'..."

Alan Eisenberg says: "I think it's a hell of a book.... I can't complain a bit."

He also thinks that Eddie Mustafa Muhammad "is the greatest fighter in the history of the light heavyweight division. That was one of many awesome pronouncements made at the November 9 press conference when it was announced that Mustafa had been cleared by the Wisconsin Dept. of Regulation and Licensing to fight a five-round exhibition bout two days thence at an Able Ten promotion in Milwaukee.

The Dept. of Regulation and Licensing is the bureaucratic overseer of boxing in the State of Wisconsin. It took over when the state boxing commission was abolished in 1977. The Dept. of Regulation and Licensing also regulates the hair dressing and barbering trades in Wisconsin. Its head is Barbara Nichols, who admits that boxing matters rarely take up a full day of her working time.





The purported-to-be-175-pound Eddie Mustafa Muhammad (right) goes through the motions against William Hosea in five-round exhibition. Bottom photo: Old foes, Muhammad Ali (right) and Ernie Terrell were overwhelmed at the action.

After Able Ten announced Mustafa's appearance on their Nov. 11 card, Miss Nichols received a letter from the Washington, D.C., boxing commission. It informed her that Mustafa was under suspension by that body for his role in the imbroglio last July 15, when he was supposed to fight for Michael Spinks' light heavyweight title in the nation's capital. The scale used at the weigh-in said Mustafa was a couple of pounds overweight, and the commission ordered him to reduce. He refused, and after lots of maneuvering, negotiating, arguing and acrimony, the fight was called off.

The D.C. commission blamed Mustafa, and now its Wisconsin counterpart was being called upon to show its solidarity by honoring the suspension. Enter Attorney Eisenberg, who, along with Mustafa and Able Ten honchos Turner and Ron Collison, spent four hours arguing Eddie's case before a state examiner.

"Our main argument," said Eisenberg at the subsequent press conference, "was that the D.C. fight didn't take place because Michael Spinks is a goddam coward." Spinks, he maintained, "is afraid" of Mustafa.

The events of July 15 were a "put-up job," according to Eisenberg. "We are not accepting the D.C. decision. We think those scales were fixed."

Furthermore, "we have grave doubts about the honesty of those commissioners."

Not to mention their morality. Imagine, said Alan Eisenberg, anyone in this day and age presuming to have the authority to order another human being to shed his flesh!"

It was enough to reduce strong men to bitter tears, but Eddie Mustafa Muhammad seemed to be holding up all right as he sat next to Eisenberg, wearing a shiny blue warmup outfit, a baseball cap bearing the log of Home Box Office (an irony bordering on the hilarious, considering that HBO lost some $300,000 from the cancellation of the Spinks fight) and a deadpan expression that hardly changed, even when Attorney Eisenberg, after putting him in a class above Archie Moore, Bob Foster and Billy Conn, went on to dismiss Eddie's 1981 loss to Michael Spinks as "a fluke" and claim that since then Mustafa has beaten "all the other—the top five contenders ... knocked them all out." Whereas "the only fights Spinks has fought have been all mismatches."

Journeymen fighters named Mike Harden, Pablo Ramos and Jerry Celestine are no doubt thrilled to find out that they were once ranked among the top five light heavyweights. They and the faded Lotte Mwale are the only fighters Eddie Mustafa has faced since the Spinks fight in 1981 and Mwale and Harden are the only ones who Eddie knocked out. And his fights outside the ring have produced more thrills.

Alan Eisenberg fights in a courtroom, and at the press conference he was in training for a big one. Very soon, he announced, he and Eddie Mustafa Muhammad would file suit in the District of Columbia against the "born-again coward" Michael Spinks and the D.C. boxing commission, for breach of contract in not going through with the July 15 fight. They would seek damages in the amount of $20 million.

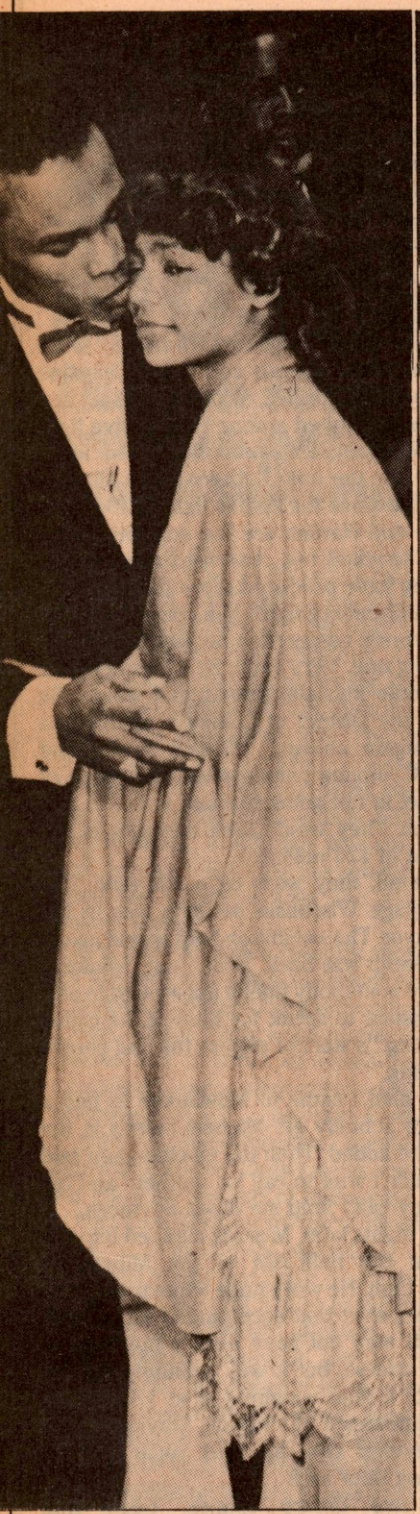
After all, they were on a roll now. The seven-page Wisconsin decision was in Eddie's favor. The exhibition bout would go on. The champ was back. Watch out, Spinks!

When somebody finally got around to asking Mustafa to speak for himself, he called the ruling "a start to expose the bad people in boxing."

"I'm glad I came to Milwaukee to find a team to actually get Michael Spinks in the ring," he added. Then the ex-champion said he couldn't wait to call his mother "and tell her they can't hold me down anymore."

Two nights later, Mustafa climbed into the ring in the ballroom of the Milwaukee Eagles Club. He wore huge white trunks and a white t-shirt that accentuated his porcine girth. It may not have been a physique of cream cheese, but it was definitely not the body of a man weighing in at 175 lbs., as was announced at ringside. Obviously this was another case for Bert Sugar and his traveling flour sack.

For five dreary rounds, Eddie and Chicago heavyweight William Hosea pushed, mauled and prodded each other around the ring. The booing started at the end of the first round, and at the end of each succeeding round it got louder and longer. But undoubtedly born-again fight expert Alan Eisenberg, doing commentary at ringside for a local cable television station, had an explanation for that. Not that anybody wanted to hear it.



BY MICHAEL MARLEY

WE DRINK A TOAST TO 1983. HERE'S TO THE winners, the losers and those who were thrilled to settle for a draw . . . in and out of the ring. It was a year marked by preservation of the status quo as the sterling champions—Larry Holmes, Michael Spinks, Marvelous Marvin Hagler, Eusebio Pedroza and Jeff Chandler—continued to roll merrily along.

The Establishment also continued to dominate the promotional front. But Don King and Bob Arum are a trifle concerned about a free-spending newcomer named Robert Andreoli. However, as long as D.K. and Arum can still play "Life of the Marionettes," with stooges from the WBC and WBA, they have no real worries. King, in fact, may branch out and expand his empire. He wants to be startin' something with Michael Jackson.

Many consider Jackson the hottest video product extant. He's a one-man industry. But, really, isn't boxing even hotter video? ABC, NBC, CBS, ESPN, USA, HBO, and the rest seem to think so. And, as long as the television gods are not sated, boxing will remain prosperous.

We drink a toast to 1984. But, as we do, let's review these spoken gems and zircons from the past year. It's just another chapter from the forthcoming book, "I'm In Pittsburgh and It's Raining."

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"FOR OVER A YEAR, HE'S BEEN FIGHTING virtually blind. He went out (of boxing) broke and blind."—*ED GARNER, manager of one-time Olympic gold medal winner* ***SUGAR RAY SEALES.***

Sugar Ray Seales with Frank Shorter

"It's hard being black. You ever been black? I was black once—when I was poor." —***LARRY HOLMES,*** *WBC heavyweight champion and multimillionaire.*

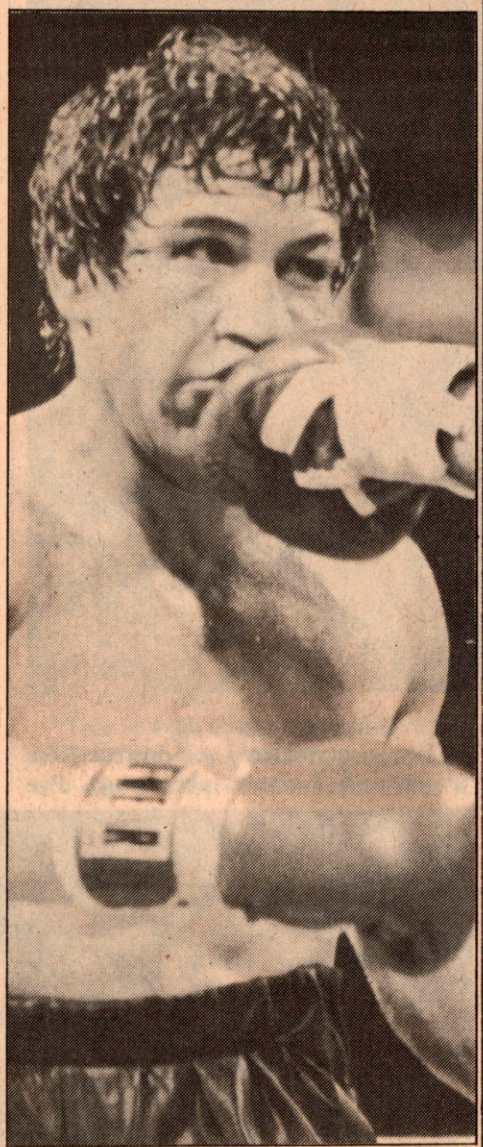
"If I didn't box, I would have been a bank robber. At times that's what I wanted to be. At those times that's what the ghetto demanded. If you wanted to make money, you had to do those things...I didn't want to sell dope. I wanted to be the best, so I wanted to be a bank robber."—*Controversial* ***EDDIE MUSTAFA MUHAMMAD,*** *reminiscing about his Brownsville (Brooklyn) boyhood.*

"I just prayed for him, prayed for him all the time after it happened. I feel really bad; I'm in mourning with his family."—*WBC bantamweight champ* ***ALBERT DAVILA*** *after the ring death of* ***KIKO BEJINES.***

"Since then I've become the mayor and we've changed the locks."—*Scranton, Pa., Mayor* ***JAMES MCNULTY,*** *noting he was only a vice-mayor in 1975 when* ***DON KING*** *was given a key to that city.*

"The evidence suggests that heavyweight prizefights stimulate fatal, aggressive behavior in some Americans."—*University of California, San Diego, Professor* ***DAVID PHILLIPS,*** *who claimed he conducted an in-depth study correlating heavyweight championship fights with U.S. crime statistics. The Nutty Professor claimed homicides rose an average of 12.46 per cent on the third day after a televised heavyweight title bout. Next he'll claim a myth is female moth.*

"You know what's it like, going to the White House? It's like going to see Santa Claus. You sit on his lap, you get your picture taken and you leave."—both ***LARRY HOLMES*** *and* ***RAY MANCINI*** *said this during the past year, and, apparently, are using the same speechwriter.*



Mancini gets hit.

"I've waited for Spinks for two years, beating everyone that has stood between me and the title. I am hungry for this fight and Spinks knows it."—***EDDIE MUSTAFA MUHAMMAD,*** *whose ravenous appetite prevented him from making the 175-pound limit and caused cancelation of that fight.*

"I was so mad after I lost to him that I married a girl I'd only known a month. After two weeks, I said, 'Look here, girl, you got to go.'"—*Heavyweight pretender* ***JAMES (QUICK) TILLIS,*** *after a ring loss to* ***PINKLON THOMAS*** *and a TKO'd love match.*

It's an honor to be a judge. But, of course, I am disappointed. I feel I have come within one number of winning the lottery."—Canadian ***GUY JUTRAS,*** *after he was "demoted" from referee to judge for Hagler-Duran.*

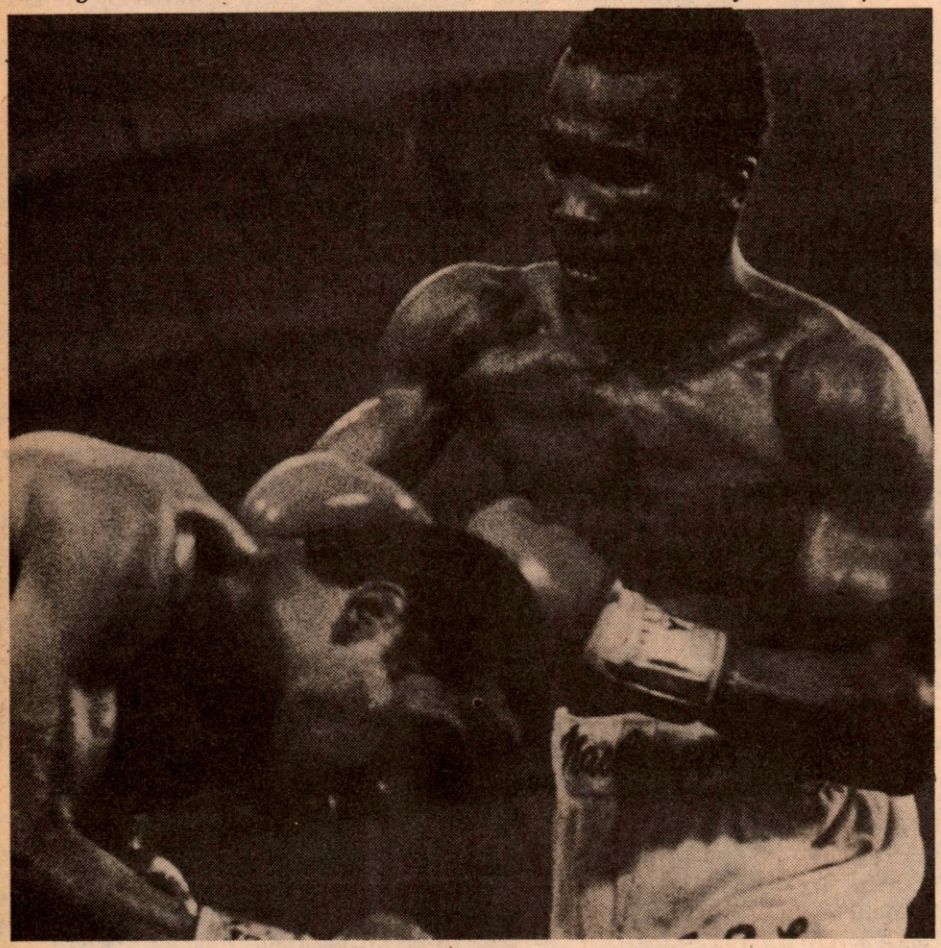
"You're kidding—not Caveman!"—*Manager-trainer* ***EMANUEL STEWARD*** *after hearing that ex-middleweight contender* ***WILLIAM (CAVEMAN) LEE*** *had been charged with robbing a Michigan bank. Steward came to Lee's legal aid after the arrest.*

Camacho shows strength.

"I am the "Macho Man." I am the one that turns the public on. They hear about me, but they want to see me more."—*WBC junior lightweight champ* ***HECTOR CAMACHO,*** *who never called himself the Modest Man.*

"Of course I know Duran. In Panama City, everybody knows everybody. Everybody is so poor, even the ants know everybody."—*Rising Panamanian jockey* ***ALEXIS SOLIS.***

"Boredom is a danger zone because all of a sudden you need something to compare to what you used to do. Obviously you can't compare anything to all the adulation and excitement of boxing."—***SUGAR RAY LEONARD,*** *as persistent reporters asked him if he was content in his ring retirement.*



"But now I'm free of him and I'm light as a feather. There's no weight holding me down; I'm ready to spread my wings and fly."—***LARRY HOLMES,*** *after splitting from the promotional reins of* ***DON KING*** *for three title bouts.*

"I told my wife I was going to retire after 1983. But I told her I was going to retire after 1982, and before that, 1981. It seems like I've become a compulsive liar. And after listening to some of the tapes of myself, I think I've become a pretty good one, too."—*A not shy and, perhaps, not retiring* ***LARRY HOLMES*** *in mid-August.*

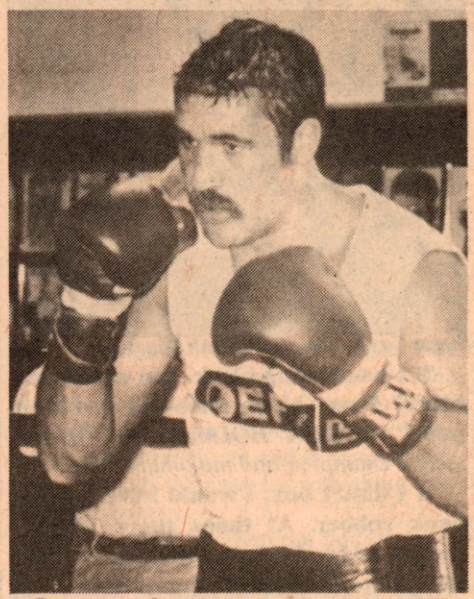
"He doesn't feel that there's anything left for him as a fighter to prove. He's retiring as the undefeated WBA world champion."—***ROBERT BUECHNER,*** *lawyer for* ***AARON (HAWK) PRYOR.*** *(Oddly enough, Buechner said Pryor would remain in training and consider proposed matches.)*

I just walked out. Working with that guy makes you a candidate for a nut house."—Trainer ***RICHIE GIACHETTI,*** *explaining why he stopped working with* ***AARON PRYOR.*** *Manny Steward replaced Giachetti for the Arguello fight.*

"How can you say I self-destruct? I'm undefeated. I don't take drugs. I've never been arrested."—*Angry* ***AARON PRYOR,*** *reacting to a* ***BOXING ILLUSTRATED*** *article about his tumultous career. A crowd of reporters listened to Pryor's monologue until one replied, "Hell, I've been arrested. But I've never been shot."*—***GEORGE KIMBALL,*** *Boston Herald sports columnist, in answer to Aaron Pryor.*

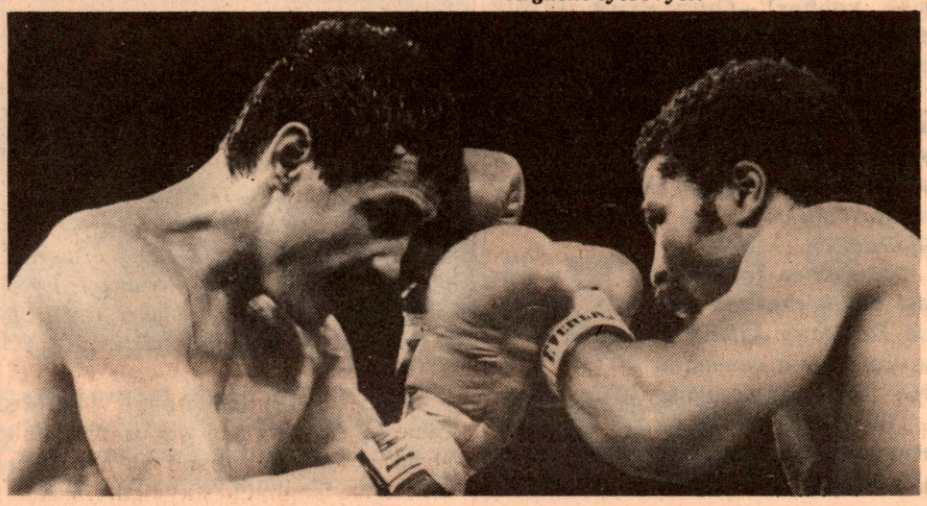
"Pryor and his people are too much trouble. They live life in too fast a lane. Pryor is going to self-destruct. Leon Spinks had a lot of talent, too, and look what happened to him."—***BOB ARUM,*** *swearing he would never again promote an* ***AARON PRYOR*** *fight.*

"Maybe things have come too easy for Michael Dokes. Maybe he had too much ability and didn't have to work as hard



Coetzee works out.

Arguello eyes Pryor.



as he should have. You can't live life in the fast lane and expect to come out on top."—*BOBBY GOODMAN,* matchmaker for *DON KING,* after Dokes' KO title loss to *GERRIE COETZEE.*

"They're beautiful. Women are great. But pleasure is pleasure and business is business. Right now, if they get near me, I kick 'em down the stairs. Money is more important now. No woman is worth a million dollars now. And if one was, I'd say screw the money and give me the woman."—*HECTOR CAMACHO.*

"If they cut my bald head open, they

"The Greatest" and "The Marvelous One"

will find one big boxing glove. That is all I am. I live it."—*MARVELOUS MARVIN HAGLER,* explaining the importance of his chosen profession.

"I became the champ in 1949, not 1978. I was born the champ!"—*LARRY HOLMES,* hyping his defense against *TERRIBLE TIM WITHERSPOON.*

"My place went crazy, I had around 80 people in here and they were so tickled pink they just went crazy. It was pandemonium."—*DICK McCORMACK,* owner of McCormack's Tap, a Rhode Island saloon where the patrons caught Hagler-Duran free of charge due to a technical glitch on the satellite TV signal.

"I got to hang up now. I don't know how much it costs to call from up here."—*Parsimonious MARVIN HAGLER, cutting short a telephone call to his wife Bertha, from a Lear Jet somewhere over Middle America.*

"I run right along with him. When I get tired, I get in the car. Look, I say I run with him. I don't say I finish."—*PAPA JOE FRAZIER, explaining how he helps son, Marvis, with his early morning roadwork.*

at one another." —*American amateur CRAIG PAYNE, after he became the first American since DUANE BOBICK (1971) to defeat Cuba's fabled TEOFILO STEVENSON.*

"Cause of death attributed to injuries and hemmorhage of the brain."—*Autopsy report on KIKO BEJINES by the Los Angeles County Medical Examiner's Office.*

"Hey, don't get carried away. You

Jake and Vicki add color.

"Me and Jake LaMotta grew up in the same neighborhood. You wanna know how popular Jake was? When we played hide 'n' seek, nobody ever looked for LaMotta."—*ROCKY GRAZIANO, star of stage, screen and ring.*

"This is a job to me. When this fight's over, I'll stay away from boxing as long as I can. I don't want to read about it, talk about it. Baseball is what I love. My sports hero is Al Kaline."—*MILTON McCRORY, before winning the WBC welterweight title with a decision over COLIN JONES.*

"That's all right. They don't like each other anyhow."—*THERESA PRYOR, then-wife of AARON PRYOR, explaining why she saw no conflict of interest in the fact that she managed both fighters in an April 2 Atlantic City bout. Her fighter DARRYL JONES lost to her other fighter, SONNY LONG.*

"He tried to intimidate me when we came in the ring. He was smiling and shaking his right hand at me. That makes me laugh, the way fighters stare

know, we do fight once in a while. I mean it ain't exactly as though we're the Italian answer to the Walton Family."—*RAY (BOOM BOOM) MANCINI, when asked if he and his father have a perfect relationship.*

"What is he, crazy? Does Larry Holmes fight for me for nothing? That's my business, selling tickets. What am I, crazy?"—*BOB ARUM, howling about LARRY HOLMES' demand for 20 free tickets for Hagler-Duran.*

"Holmes is a coward-hearted chicken-livered little buzzard."—*GREG PAGE, after a quick TKO victory over some tomato can named RICK "KING KONG" KELLAR.*

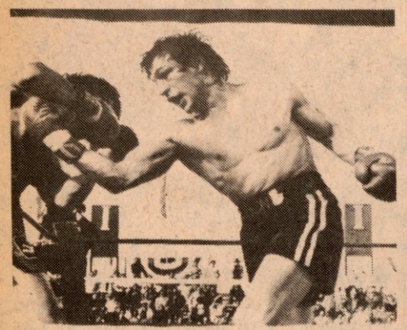
"I'm the No. 1 contender. I'm supposed to be the one Larry's reckoning with. But that No. 1 don't mean a thing. It's just a number. It's like you go into Baskin-Robbins, you take a number."—*GREG PAGE, who is very interested in luring LARRY HOLMES into the ring with him.*

"So what? With that plastic champion-

ship belt and 50 cents I can ride the city bus."—*Portland, Ore., **manager MIKE (MOTORMOUTH) MORTON,** after his fighter, **CURTIS RAMSEY,** knocked out **ROBBIE EPPS** for something called the "World Athletic Association Middleweight Title" in Greenville, S.C.*

"I had a great career. Boxing has been dynamite to me. Boxing has helped me, financially and emotionally. It has given me self-respect."—*Welterweight **PETE RANZANY,** announcing his ring retirement and continuation of his "other" job, a warehouseman for a large grocery chain.*

"The quotes attributed to Mancini in the Italian sports press were never made. These people are unbelievable.



Boom Boom connects.

They take the whole cloth and write what they want to write. It's disgusting."—*Unswerving but Deserving **IRVING RUDD,** press agent for Bob Arum's Top Rank, denying reports that **RAY MANCINI** would go to South Korea to pray at the tomb of **DEUK-KOO KIM.***

"I didn't have time to use all my skills tonight"—*WBA junior lightweight champ **ROGER MAYWEATHER,** in a masterful touch of understatement, after scoring a one-round KO over Chile's **BENEDICTO VILLABLANCA.***

"According to (Yusaku) Yoshida, the new middleweight champion of the world is some guy named 'Even.' He won more rounds than either Hagler or Duran."—***BERT RANDOLPH SUGAR,** peripatetic publisher, referring to Japanese judge who called an incredible six rounds of that fight even.*

"Hagler should go back to court and change his name to 'Semi-Marvelous.'"—*Writer **BUDD SCHULBERG,** unimpressed by the Hagler victory over Duran.*

"What will they call Marvin Hagler now? He's not the 'Invincible Man.' He's not 'Superman.' He's not the 'Destroyer.' I don't know what else he's not, except that he's not what everybody has been saying."—***THOMAS HEARNS.***

"I hear that Hearns is whistling in the shadows again now. After the other night, his hand got better all of a sudden."—*Hagler's handler **PAT PETRONELLI.***

"My mother is getting tired of hearing things about me."—***AARON PRYOR,** saying he was tired of people criticizing his behavior and lifestyle.*

"I just jog to keep in shape, not to set world records."—***DWIGHT MUHAMMAD QAWI,** when told he had taken more than an hour to run five miles.*

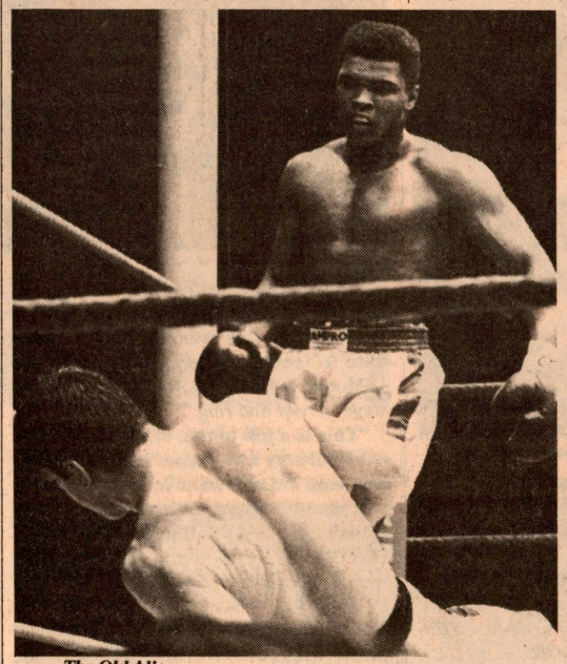
"His only mandatory is with God."—*Trainer **AL BRAVERMAN** on Hagler before the Duran bout.*

*'If you hang around with lawyers, you get lawsuits. If you hang around with fight guys, you get fights."—Unknown Boston fight figure, recalling this year late promoter **SAM SILVERMAN'S** imperishable truth.*

"He thought he was in England"—*New Jersey Commissioner **BOB LEE,** explaining the geographical confusion of **KIRKLAND LAING** after he suffered a 10th round KO and a concussion in an Atlantic City bout with **FREDDIE HUTCHINGS.***

"NBC should decide once and for all whether it wants Pacheco to serve as its adviser-matchmaker or as its ring analyst. He shouldn't do both because that puts him in a no-win, conflict-of-interest position he can't overcome for all his attempts to be objective and honest in his commentary."—*Newsday TV sports critic **STAN ISAACS,** on **FERDIE PACHECO'S** dual role after the Holmes-Rodriguez mismatch.*

"I shave my head as a good luck charm. I've been doing it since the amateurs. And, anyway, theres the cost factor. I don't have to worry about combs, brushes and those kinds of things."—***PARSIMONIOUS MARVELOUS MARVIN HAGLER.***



The Old Ali

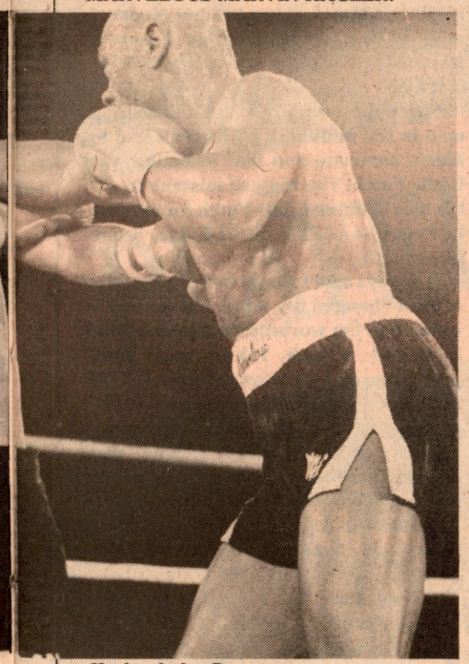
"Johnny Carson don't call me no more."—***MUHAMMAD ALI,** on the biggest change in his life since ring retirement.*

"The only people who think I'm sick is the media. I weigh 242 but I'm not big and sloppy. I think straight. If there's a little change in my diction after getting hit 25 years, let me hit you on the side of the head just once and see what happens to you."—***MUHAMMAD ALI.***

"I expect that because I am a Muslim, I am a free black man. You must realize, if they can destroy me, they will. If they can destroy Muhammad Ali, who's been so great and has a great world image. If they can take this great figure—not nigger—and destroy this great image, then they've won. It's all a fight for the minds."—***MUHAMMAD ALI.***

"Next time, I'll bring my boxing gloves."—***MUHAMMAD ALI,** dedicating a community center in his honor, Ali lectured on the virtues of brotherly love, in Birmingham, England, after watching 1,000 youths rumble with police.*

"The one thing I can do is punch, and if I hit him, which I'm bound to do in 15 rounds, I'll hurt him."—***GERRIE COETZEE** to new trainer **JACKIE McCOY** before Coetzee bumped **MICHAEL DOKES** from the fast lane into boxing's breakdown lane.*



Hagler shakes Duran.

"There's no way you could do it with the Cubans piling 50-to-60 people into homes. Trading $500 for $15 is not good business!"—***BOB ARUM,** explaining why he preferred to have closed-circuit TV venues rather than cable TV outlets for Hagler-Duran in South Florida.*

"A lot of people don't know it, but I didn't get but $50,000 for fighting Holmes. The thing I don't understand is that King paid me more than that for some of my other fights. I got $75,000 to fight Renaldo Snipes and $50,000 to fight the champ. How do you explain that?"—***TERRIBLE TIM WITHERSPOON,** saying he was not earning a (DON) KING'S ransom in the ring.*

"I learned I could hurt a world champion. I was really hurting the man. There I was, the odds 6-1 against me, people saying I couldn't go five rounds and others saying I'd been fighting Avon ladies."—***TERRIBLE TIM WITHERSPOON.***

Fletcher moves in.

***'Yeah . . . The Sands."**—**FRANK (THE ANIMAL) FLETCHER,** answering a question from **DR. DONALD ROMEO,** who asked the prone fighter if he knew where he was, after suffering a KO at the hands of **JUAN ROLDAN** at Ceasars Palace in Las Vegas, and referring to his usual place de combat in A.C.*

"He probably thought he was at The Sands even before the fight. You'll notice that his nickname isn't Frank 'The Genius.'"—***FAST EDDIE SCHUYLER,** Associated Press.*

"Sugar Ray Seales, a good friend of mine, is blind now. That could happen to anybody. That's why I go to the eye doctor after every one of my fights."—***BIG JOHN TATE.***

"They said I had a glass chin, that I wasn't smart enough, too slow, that I shouldn't be boxing, and everything. When you're defeated the way I was, the wolves come out."—***BIG JOHN TATE** on the comeback trail.*

"Holmes is Holmes, Chacon is Chacon, there is a difference."—*WBC President **JOSE SULAIMAN,** obliquely explaining why he punished **BOBBY CHACON** while allowing **LARRY***

Chacon keeps smiling.

HOLMES** to delay his mandatory defense against **GREG PAGE.

"I am here in the mountains with you today to try to help you recover our country . . . I am prepared to shed my blood . . . I am prepared to die."—***ALEXIS ARGUELLO,** in an address to **EDEN PASTORA'S** rebels battling Nicaragua's Sandinista government.*

"Fate has assigned you a sacred mission; that is to retrieve the Holy Grail—the undivided heavyweight championship of the world."—***ROY INNIS** of CORE, in a telegram to **LARRY HOLMES** urging Holmes to fight **GERRIE COETZEE.***

"There are times I hate boxing. Why are we in it? Are we animals? I got no answers. How can Gino be dead? I did everything right, and it came out so wrong."—*Manager **AL CERTO,** after his boxer **GINO PEREZ** died after a bout at Madison Square Garden.*

"Say 'Brownsville' to Spinks and he'll be scared half to death."—***EDDIE MUSTAFA MUHAMMAD.***

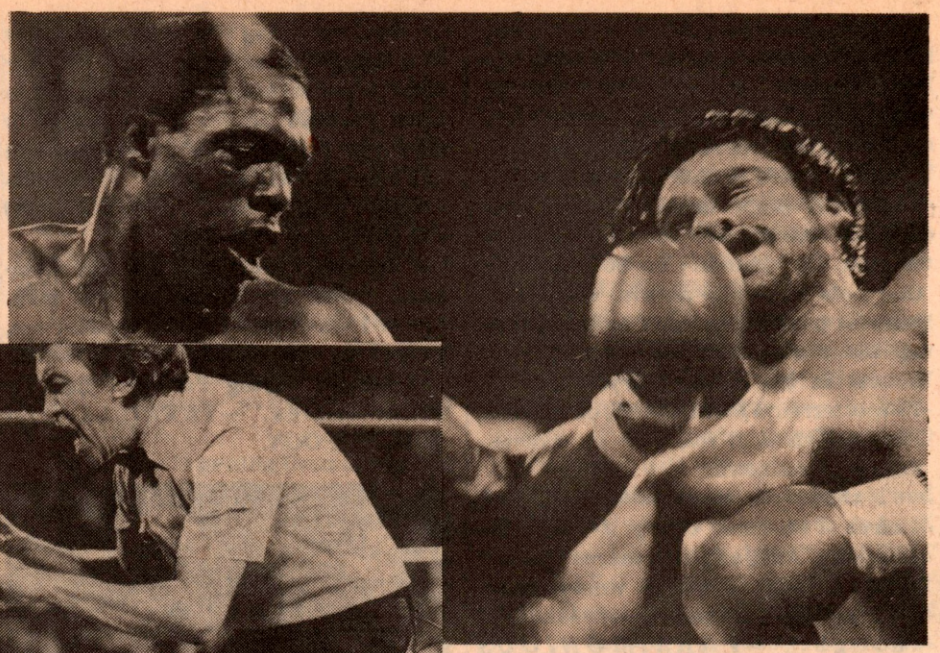
"Brownsville? What's that, something Eddie ate?"—***MICHAEL SPINKS** in reply before the no fight fight.*

"The WBA makes two percent on every championship fight fought in the world. The WBC takes 1½ percent. Where does this money go?"—***ALEXIS***

ARGUELLO, *launching a campaign to establish a boxers' union.*

*Gee, I used to get paid to get sore. Now I pay to get sore."—**JACK SHARKEY,** age 81, recovering at his Epping, N.H., home after a hospital visit.*

"Really, what's ahead for James Kinchen is higher depths."—*JAMES (HEAT) KINCHEN,* *middleweight contender, in an NBC-TV interview after defeating **MURRAY***



Moore on the floor.

SUTHERLAND.

"I'm the best promoter because I haven't taken a day off from work since I left the penitentiary. And because I have read the great philosophers like St. Thomas Aquinine."—*Malapropmaster **DON KING.*

"I lost the hero I always wanted to be like. Thank God, he lived as long as he did."—*GERRY COONEY,* *reacting to **JACK DEMPSEY'S** death.*

"He fought out of a crouch. But he was the most stand-up guy you'd ever want to meet in the rest of life. 'Dempsey!' The very name inspired shivers in the fight game. It was a name like 'Hogan!' Like 'Geronimo!' and 'Attila!' It was a name that was not much fun to hear. A name to inspire fear. A lion-is-loose! name. It was a name caked with history."—*JIM MURRAY, L.A. Times* *columnist, in his obit on **JACK DEMPSEY.***

"Duran is not going to beat Moore. I wish I was as sure about going to heaven." *—Fearless forecaster **JIMMY JACOBS.***

"After the loss, I felt like a drowning man in the middle of an ocean. I had to blame someone and that someone was Eddie Futch. The biggest mistake in my life was blaming Eddie Futch for my loss to Pryor."—*ALEXIS ARGUELLO,* *before the rematch.*

"I always said I would never announce it but I changed my mind. I'm done. I'm going out. I'm working on a resume and I'll get a job like real people."—*Journeyman heavyweight **SCOTT LEDOUX,*** *"packing it in" as they say in they gyms.*

"Mr. Lewis as chief second was responsible for the safekeeping of the gloves."—*New York State Athletic Commission statement which announced the lifetime banishment of trainer **CARLOS (PANAMA) LEWIS.***

"Every time things are going real good for me I go out and mess it up. I was a prestigious boxer. I have no assets. I have come a long way down. Boxing has just brought me misery . . . I could have been a contender."—*Paterson (N.J.) Superior Court **JUDGE AMOS SAUNDERS,*** *quoting **TONY AYALA'S** own words to psychiatrists. Ayala received a 35-year jail sentence on a rape charge.*

"I'm coming back . . . to my senses." —*MUHAMMAD ALI,* *at the WBC's 20th Anniversary affair at the United Nations.*

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HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

LARRY HOLMES** ..... Easton, Pa.
1 **Gerrie Coetzee*** ..... South Africa
2 **Greg Page** ..... Louisville, Ky.
3 **Michael Dokes** ..... Akron, Ohio
4 **Pinklon Thomas** ..... Wyncotte, Pa.
5 **Tim Witherspoon** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
6 **Mike Weaver** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
7 **David Bey** ..... Pittsburgh, Pa.
8 **John Tate** ..... Knoxville, Tenn.
9 **Trevor Berbick** ..... Halifax, Canada
10 **Frank Bruno** ..... England

11. (Tie) James Broad, Marvis Frazier 13. Alfredo Evangelista 14. (Tie) Renaldo Snipes, Jeff Sims, Tony Tubbs 17. Randall (Tex) Cobb 18. (Tie) James Tillis, George Chaplin

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

MICHAEL SPINKS ..... St. Louis, Mo.
1 **Dwight Braxton** ..... Camden, N.J.
2 **Eddie Mustafa Muhammad** ..... Brooklyn, N.Y.
3 **Eddie Davis** ..... Freeport, N.Y.
4 **Carlos DeLeon** ..... Puerto Rico
5 **John Davis** ..... Hempstead, N.Y.
6 **Marvin Johnson** ..... Indianapolis, Ind.
7 **John Odhiambo** ..... Denmark
8 **Willie Edwards** ..... Detroit, Mich.
9 **Oscar Rivadeneyra** ..... Vineland, N.J.
10 **Pete McIntyre** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.

11. Richard Caramanolis, 12. Rudi Koopmans, 13. Ossie Ocasio, 14. Anthony Davis 15. (Tie) Eric Winbush, Saad Muhammad, 17. Richie Kates, 18. Fulgencio Obelmejias 19. Jose Flores 20. (Tie) Mike Rossman, Charles Singleton

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

MARVIN HAGLER ..... Brockton, Mass.
1 **Mustafa Hamsho** ..... Syria
2 **Tony Sibson** ..... England
3 **James Shuler** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
4 **Dwight Davison** ..... Detroit, Mich.
5 **James Kinchen** ..... San Diego, Calif.
6 **Juan D. Roldan** ..... Argentina
7 **Frank Fletcher** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
8 **Curtis Parker** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
9 **Murray Sutherland** ..... Bay City, Mich.
10 **Bobby Czyz** ..... Wanaque, N.J.

11. (Tie) Alex Ramos, Bernard Mays, 13. Mark Holmes, 14. (Tie) Mark Kaylor, John Collins, 16. (Tie) Wilford Scypion, Leroy Hester, 18. Vinnie Curto, 19. Andre Cooper

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 154 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

THOMAS HEARNS** ..... Detroit, Mich.
1 **Wilfred Benitez** ..... Puerto Rico
2 **Roberto Duran*** ..... Panama
3 **Mike McCallum** ..... New York, N.Y.
4 **John Mugabi** ..... Uganda
5 **Fred Hutchings** ..... Stockton, Calif.
6 **Davey Moore** ..... Bronx, N.Y.
7 **David Braxton** ..... Detroit, Mich.
8 **James Green** ..... Irvington, N.J.
9 **Herol Graham** ..... England
10 **Earl Hargrove** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.

11. Carlos Santos, 12. Mario Maldonado, 13. Julian Jackson 14. (Tie) Buster Drayton, Sean Mannion, 16. Gary Guiden, 17. Francisco DeJesus, 18. Bushy Bester, 19. (Tie) Louis Acaries, Tadashi Mihara

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1 **Milton McCrory**** ..... Detroit, Mich.
2 **Donald Curry*** ..... Ft. Worth, Texas
3 **Marlon Starling** ..... Hartford, Conn.
4 **Nino LaRocca** ..... Italy
5 **Colin Jones** ..... Wales
6 **Elio Diaz** ..... Venezuela
7 **Milton Guest** ..... Mt. Vernon, N.Y.
8 **Roger Stafford** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
9 **Tommy Ayers** ..... Cincinnati, Ohio
10 **Mauricio Bravo** ..... Venezuela

11. Lupe Aquino, 12. Maurice Blocker, 13. Simon Brown, 14. Kevin Howard, 15. (Tie) Pablo Baez, Harold Volbrecht, 17. (Tie) Alfredo Lucero, Bobby Joe Young, Jeff Malcolm, 20. (Tie) Carlos Trujillo, Juan Rondon, 22. Jun Sok Hwang

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

TITLE VACANT
1 **Johnny Bumphus** ..... Clementon, N.J.
2 **Bruce Curry**** ..... Ft. Worth, Texas
3 **Leroy Haley** ..... Las Vegas, Nevada
4 **Saoul Mamby** ..... New York, N.Y.
5 **Billy Costello** ..... Kingston, N.Y.
6 **Ronnie Shields** ..... Pt. Arthur, Texas
7 **Patrizio Oliva** ..... Italy
8 **Felix Reyes** ..... Dominican Republic
9 **Mario Cusson** ..... Montreal, Canada
10 **Hugo Hernandez** ..... Argentina

11. (Tie) Steve Hearon, Lorenzo Garcia, Reyes Cruz, 14. Ubaldo Sacco, 15. Harry Arroyo, 16. (Tie) Alfredo Escalera, Gene Hatcher, 18. Clint McKenzie, 19. Hideakazu Akai

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* WBA CHAMPION

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LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1 **Ray Mancini*** ..... Youngstown, Ohio
2 **Edwin Rosario**** ..... Puerto Rico
3 **Howard Davis, Jr.** ..... Glen Cove, N.Y.
4 **Tyrone Crawley** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
5 **Robin Blake** ..... Levelland, Tex.
6 **Livingstone Bramble** ..... Passaic, N.J.
7 **Roberto Elizondo** ..... Corpus Christi, Texas
8 **Alvin Hayes** ..... Detroit, Mich.
9 **Jose Luis Ramirez** ..... Mexico
10 **Orlando Romero** ..... Peru

11. Charlie Brown, 12. Ken Bogner, 13. Nick Furlano, 14. (Tie) Jimmy Paul, Tony Baltazar, Daryl Tyson, 17. (Tie) Greg Coverson, Sergio Medina

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

ROGER MAYWEATHER* ..... Las Vegas, Nev.
1 **Bobby Chacon** ..... Oroville, Calif.
2 **Hector Camacho**** ..... New York, N.Y.
3 **Rafael Solis** ..... Puerto Rico
4 **Rocky Lockridge** ..... Paterson, N.J.
5 **Samuel Serrano** ..... Puerto Rico
6 **Rolando Navarrete** ..... Hawaii
7 **Tae-Jin Moon** ..... Korea
8 **Cornelius Boza-Edwards** ..... England
9 **Alfredo Raininger** ..... Italy
10 **Jorge Alvarado** ..... Panama

11. Ruben Munoz, 12. Il-Bok Lee, 13. (Tie) Rafael Limon, Chung-Il Choi, 15. Yoshimitsu Asato, 16. Edgar Castro, 17. (Tie) Refugio Rojas, Rod Sequenan, 19. Robert Castanon, 20. (Tie) Benedicto Villablanca, Raphael Lopez, Greg Coverson

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

EUSEBIO PEDROZA* ..... Panama
1 **Juan LaPorte**** ..... New York, N.Y.
2 **Wilfredo Gomez** ..... Puerto Rico
3 **Rocky Lockridge** ..... Paterson, N.J.
4 **Jose Caba** ..... Dominican Republic
5 **Azumah Nelson** ..... Ghana
6 **Ruben Castillo** ..... Bakersfield, Calif.
7 **Johnny De La Rosa** ..... Miami, Fla.
8 **Marcos Villasana** ..... Mexico
9 **Jackie Beard** ..... Detroit, Mich.
10 **Bernard Taylor** ..... Knoxville, Tenn.

11. Richard Savage, 12. (Tie) Gerald Hayes, Irving Mitchell, 14. Oscar Bejines 15. Steve Cruz, 16. Loris Stecca, 17. Barry McGuigan, 18. (Tie) Angel Mayor, Hwan-Kil Yuh

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 122 pounds)
TITLE VACANT

1 **Jaime Garza**** ..... Los Angeles, California
2 **Leo Cruz*** ..... Dominican Republic
3 **Mike Ayala** ..... New York, N.Y.
4 **Felipe Orozco** ..... Colombia
5 **Juan (Kid) Meza** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
6 **Bernardo Checa** ..... Panama
7 **Jorge Lujan** ..... Panama
8 **Bobby Berna** ..... Philippines
9 **Victor Callejas** ..... Puerto Rico
10 **Julian Solis** ..... Puerto Rico

11. Felix Rodriguez, 12. (Tie) Sergio Palma, Oscar Muniz, 14. Bernardo Pinango, 15. Pongpan Sorphayathai, 16. Raul Gonzalez, 17. Chul Kwon, 18. Jairo Anton

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

JEFF CHANDLER* ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
1 **Albert Davila**** ..... Mexico
2 **Jiro Watanabe** ..... Japan
3 **Oscar Muniz** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
4 **Rafael Orono** ..... Venezuela
5 **Edgar Roman** ..... Caracas, Venezuela
6 **Enrique Sanchez** ..... Dominican Republic
7 **Richard Sandoval** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
8 **Gaby Canizales** ..... Laredo, Texas
9 **Harold Petty** ..... Ft. Worth, Texas
10 **Freddie Jackson** ..... Houston, Texas

11. Chul-Ho Kim, 12. Paul Ferreri, 13. James Pipps, 14. Jorge Ramirez, 15. Neptali Alamag, 16. Daniel Zaragoza, 17. Eijiro Murata, 18. (Tie) Daniel Blanco, Suk-Chul Bae, Seung-Hoon Lee

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

FRANK CEDENO** ..... Philippines
1 **Santos Laciar*** ..... Argentina
2 **Jung-Koo Chang** ..... Korea
3 **Lupe Madera** ..... Mexico
4 **Eleoncio Mercedes** ..... Dominican Republic
5 **Charlie Magri** ..... England
6 **Freddie Castillo** ..... Mexico
7 **Katsuo Tokashiki** ..... Japan
8 **Prudencio Cardona** ..... Colombia
9 **Gabriel Bernal** ..... Mexico
10 **German Torres** ..... Mexico

11. Reinaldo Becerra, 12. Juan Herrera, 13. (Tie) Candido Tellez, Keith Wallace, Guty Espadas, 16. Joey Olivo, Isidro Perez

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'MARGINAL' MARVIN BESTS DURAN

Only The Result Was In 'Synch

BY BERT RANDOLPH SUGAR

TAKE OF A CON ED POWER PLANT FULLY ABLAZE 30 PARTS, a prison riot 20 parts, New Year's Eve 10 parts, a soup line 15 parts and the sweet odor of money, another 25 parts. The admixture will give you the normal picture of a fight night in Las Vegas. But on this night the chemical make-up of Las Vegas was curiously out-of-synch, almost as if someone had halved an apple and tried to put it back together, fitting the pieces so that they were off by a fraction of an inch.

PERHAPS IT WAS THE PRESENCE IN THE RING again of Roberto Duran, the man who had once climbed to the top of boxing's greasy pole and slid back down again on the basis of two little words, "No Mas." Reviled, disgraced and discarded, he was now back to try for his fourth crown and a permanent place amongst the legends of the ring. Perhaps it was the presence of Marvin Hagler, that seemingly seamless boxer who had legally adopted the name "Marvelous" and who was thought by many to be entering into a period of greatness, predicated, in advance, upon his destruction of Duran. Or perhaps it was the presence in the ring before the fight of Susan Anton, who somehow lost the melody of the National Anthem on her way to her boffo finish, making it sound more like "My Dog Has Fleas" than the Star Spangled Banner.—If one had but been stirred to enlist, they would would have had difficulty figuring out what country they would serve.

Whatever the reason, the night was out-of-synch. And therein lies the story of the Hagler-Duran fight.

The career of Roberto Duran has had more plot twists than a third-rate potboiler. It started with his emergence from the barrios of Panama City with his fists his only worldly commodity. In his early career he demolished all who were foolish enough to stand in front of him. It culminated in his victory over Sugar Ray Leonard in Montreal but he then hurtled dizzyingly downward on the basis of two ignoble words uttered in abject surrender to Leonard in New Orleans scarcely five months later. Then came a series of comeback fights that covered a multitude of sins. History is bright and fiction dull with such things as "comebacks." But Roberto Duran had added yet another

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chapter to that much overused word by coming back from a defeat at the hands of someone named Kirkland Laing and an uninspired showing against Jimmy Batten to beat Pipino Cuevas and Davey Moore to once again establish his name among the firmament of stars that have shone so brightly in the ring.

This was the same Roberto Duran who had once been a small battling bantam, so small he had to stand twice to make a shadow at 135 pounds. But the good life had taken his toll, and his shadow had ballooned to Orson Welles-like proportions while the terrible fire that had burned down below had been banked by the headiness that comes with being a living legend. His style, once remembered as being that of a warrior with huge shoulders bulking below a shaggy, quasi-triangular head, cocked sideways in a kind of predatory questioning gesture with pitted and blazing dark eyes that glowed amber, had grown as complacent as its owner, content to merely go through the motions without any emotion.

But after he was kissed off by Don King and his legion of followers that small spark had flamed up again, and he had gone to the offices of Bob Arum to reclaim his greatness. And his manhood. Pleading with Arum, Duran had asked for another chance to redeem himself. Many thought that his chance was the chance of a whale leaping over the Panama Canal. But Arum, and his matchmaker, Teddy Brenner, had seen something of the spark that had once made him the most feared man in the ring—and the fighter of the '70s—to give him that one chance, figuring that even if the well was dry, they knew the worth of the water that once came from it.

And so it was, that after a lackluster performance as the walk-out bout on the Pryor—Arguello card last November in Miami against a fighter who goes by the name of Jimmy Batten, Roberto Duran began his quest for redemption. The king wasn't dead. For when you strike at a king you must kill him, and Roberto Duran was far from dead.

His quest took him to Los Angeles last January to fight another one-time legend, Pipino Cuevas. In less than four full rounds he once "Hands of Stone" restored part of his crumbling glory, crumbling Pipino as well with body shots that had once been his stock-in-trade. Then, last June in New York's named Madison Square Garden—the same arena where, 11 years before, he had knocked the lightweight crown off Ken Buchanan's handsome head—Roberto Duran came all the way back, knocking out WBA Junior Middleweight Champion Davey Moore in eight brutal rounds. If all of us live too much in a circle, then for Roberto Duran the circle had come full.

But still, there were those who believed that twelve rounds do not a comeback make and thought that a fight against "Marvelous" Marvin Hagler was nothing short of "The Mismatch of the Century." For Marvelous Marvin had reduced the middleweight division to rubble, defending his hard-earned title no less than seven times, winning all by knockouts. He had been awesome, if not just plain "Marvelous," and now, according to the fight cognescenti, who had just elected him as "The Best Pound-for-Pound Fighter in Boxing," stood on the cusp of greatness. Was this any way to treat a legend?

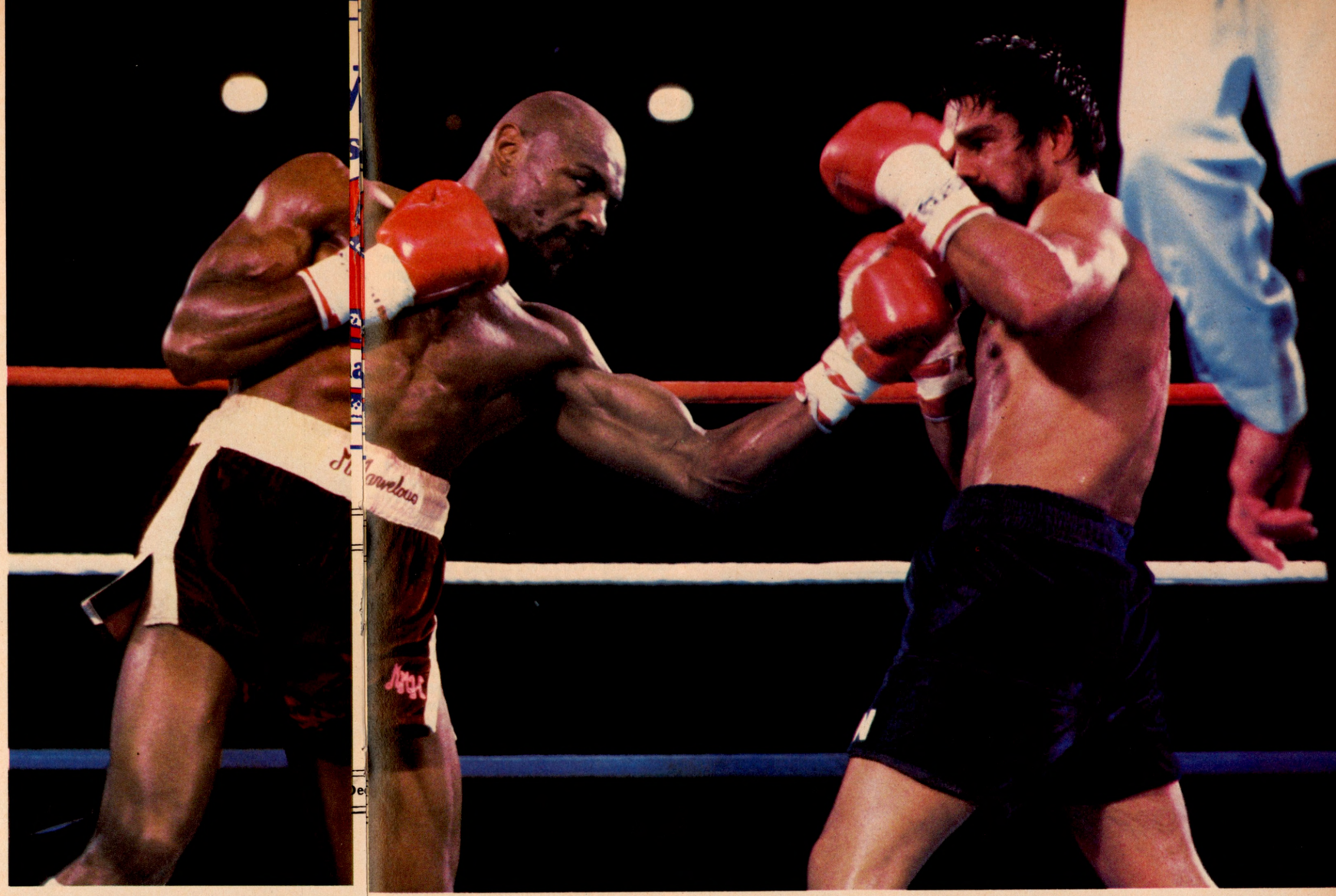
But what became a legend most *was* the fight with Hagler, who, despite his longing for the spotlight, was once again relegated to the part of a bit player, supporting the human drama of Duran's return to grace.

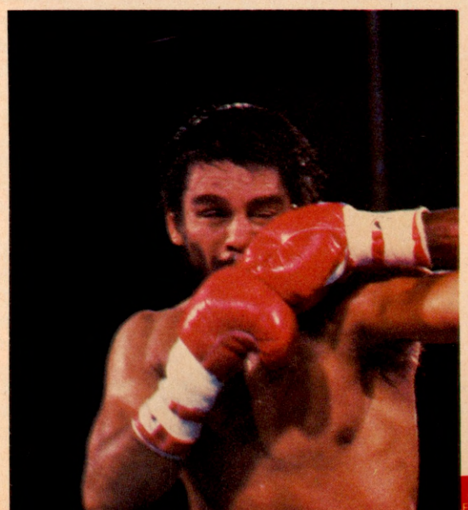
In the weeks leading up to the fight, even the publicity seemed sorely out of synch. The challenger was the story, the draw, not the champion. Duran had once again captured the hearts and souls of the Hispanic fans—not to mention the fans of machismo, who had written him off after New Orleans. At every conceiveable turn the press fed stories on Duran, not Hagler. And yet, with so much ink being devoted to Duran, the betting, too, was out-of-synch, sports books like the Barbary Coast in Las Vegas opening up their line at 4–1 to bring in Duran money and closing out at 4¼–1, none showing up. It was almost as if those who believed in redemption believed it were a sometimes thing, and then only in the Bible, not in the ring.

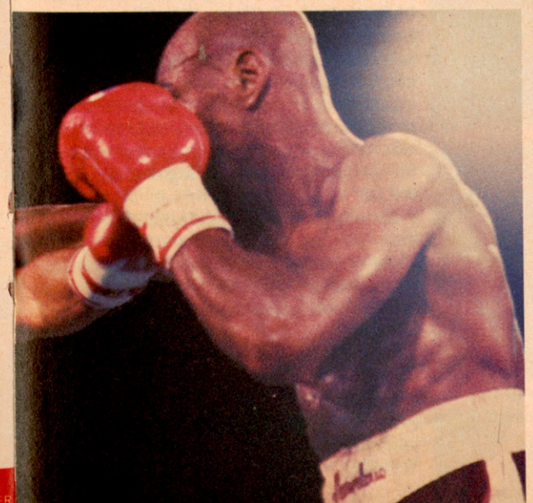
The fight itself was a good fight, not a great fight. A fight for the purist: a chess game with gloves on. Roberto Duran was determined, above all else, to go the distance, and predicated his entire strategy on doing so. Marvelous Marvin was tentative, or, as he said, "tight," taking few chances and executing less. It was a fight of which Dave Kindred of the *Washington Post* was to say, "As fights go, you've seen better in a supermarket express line."

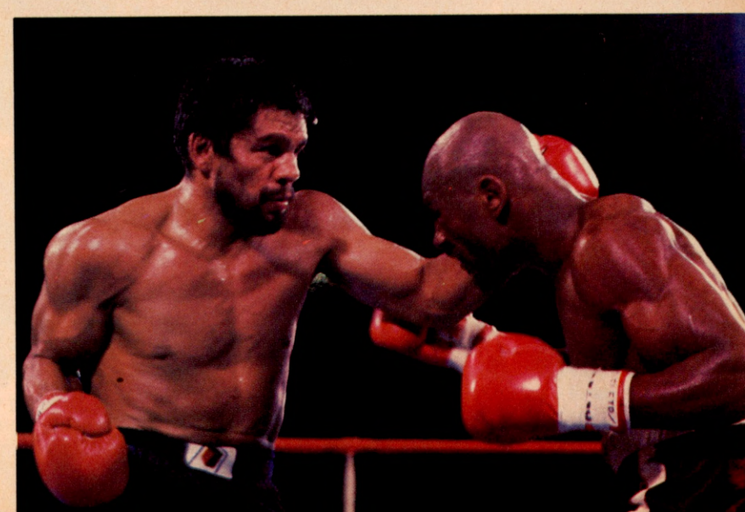
But that was unfair, unfair to the fight and unfair to the fighters. For both were pressed between the pages of time, both tacticians and both trying all of their tricks to win. Unfortunately, both were also professionals of the highest order and neither was having any of the other's ploys.

Starting with the opening bell the war of nerves took precedence over the war of blows. For, just as the universal act of a woman to proclaim ownership over a man is to pluck some invisible thread from that man's lapel, so too was Roberto Duran's universal act of ownership a storming style, straight in to the chest of his opponent, punctuated by a devastating punch to the liver. But it was not to be on this night when all else was out-of-synch. Instead, he played the waiting game, the counter-puncher's game. And Hagler, who admitted, "I never got my strategy,"—or, restated, that Duran had stole his—was what he called "a little tight." From the first round on—one that could have been framed and taken home as a tableaux for the livingroom wall, so sure









would the owner be that neither fighter would ever move again in their lifetimes—Duran, in the words of Hagler, "tried to sucker me in and hit me with the uppercut hook." Hagler reacted by not reacting at all. He, too, played the waiting game, making it a fight between two professionals, two cuties, which hardly makes for a pit war.

By the second, Duran's hand speed was beginning to show up Hagler's tentativeness, and Roberto was beating the champion to the punch. Especially the right-hand punch. Hagler, whose best punch in the second was a double left and right to his own head right before the bell in an effort to exhort himself to greater action, laid back and waited. Meanwhile, Duran stole the round while Marvin altered his tactics. According to one judge, Ove Ovesen, "Duran was fighting the smarter, more composed fight..." at that point. But then, both looked composed with the only action coming from Duran's right. The third was more of the same as Hagler was having difficulty figuring out Duran's style and even more difficulty getting to Duran.

By the beginning of round four several onlookers were convinced that half of those flags being waved were coming from those who had gotten 4–1 on Duran. But just as suddenly Hagler began to use his right, jabbing, hooking and sticking it, all the better to find his elusive target. The momentum of the fight had begun to shift, Hagler's right hand besting Duran's.

The fifth round found the right-handed Hagler, who normally fights from the southpaw side, switching back and forth from the unorthodox to the orthodox stance, both to keep away from Duran's lead right, which was coming in every time Hagler threw his own, and to get two inches closer to Duran. It was a change dictated by Duran's change in tactics. And it worked as Hagler took on the look of the best switch-hitter since Pete Rose, hitting Duran from both sides.

Round six was all Hagler, as Duran began blowing through Moby Dick-like jaws, exhaling in time to Hagler's punches. Duran seemed so tired that his only defense to the constant peppering by Hagler was to bull in underneath Hagler's pinpoint blows and attempt to tie up the champion, but Hagler was having none of it. It seemed only a matter of time now before Hagler finished off the fast-tiring Duran.

Rounds seven and eight found Duran slipping punches but not returning any of Hagler's blows, thrown from both stances. And yet, as Hagler outpunched Duran three-to-one, maintaining the control and tempo of the fight, all three judges gave Duran at least one of the rounds even. It seems the only requisite to being a judge in Las Vegas is the necessity to be able to count from one to ten; after ten you can take off your shoes. It seems that one judge, Yasaku Yoshida, would have called World War II

"even" had he had the opportunity, scoring six rounds of the fight "even." (After the fight Hagler gave voice to many who question the continual scoring discrepancies in Vegas by saying, "Can't leave the decision to any place that's a gambling place.")

But now even though Hagler had regained control of the fight, he still wasn't taking any chances, backing away rather than following up his advantages. Maybe it was the hype. Maybe it was that the fact that Hagler called Duran "a legend," and was in awe of him. Maybe it was Duran's shift in strategy, the "curve" he threw the switch-hitter. Or maybe it was just Marvin's style, a style which has never seen him take chances, that made him tentative. Whatever it was, after eight rounds Duran was still in the fight, fighting a cute fight, trying to sucker in Hagler. And now there was something else: a mouse developing over Marvin's left eye. Later Hagler would say it came from a "thumb." But whatever its causation, it was beginning to swell up, giving Hagler problems and causing him to change back, almost exclusively, to a left-handed stance, keeping it further away Roberto's right.

Round nine found a Duran with renewed vigor. He blew out his cheeks less as he went almost exclusively to the right, a right he had hurt during an exchange in the fifth. Still, Hagler controlled the action, moving Duran backwards and pin-pointing his shots, all the while keeping away from Roberto's right. Between rounds nine and ten, Duran had an ice bag applied to his stomach, the first time he had been given one since before the eight round in New Orleans. Duran, who had rid himself of his demons, was trying to tie the tin can to Marvelous Marvin's tail, making him miss and attempting to stay the distance, something most writers had refused to believe he could do against the man whose motto was "Destruct and Destroy."

And as if to prove that he was the Duran of old, Duran took to sneering at Hagler in mid-ring, using his mouthpiece as if it were another weapon, sticking it out and affecting a Darth Vader look. At the bell ending the tenth, yet another round for Marvelous Marvin, Duran reverted to form, scowling at Hagler, who returned the compliment, sticking out his tongue and exciting the fans more than the action had in the preceding thirty minutes of fighting.

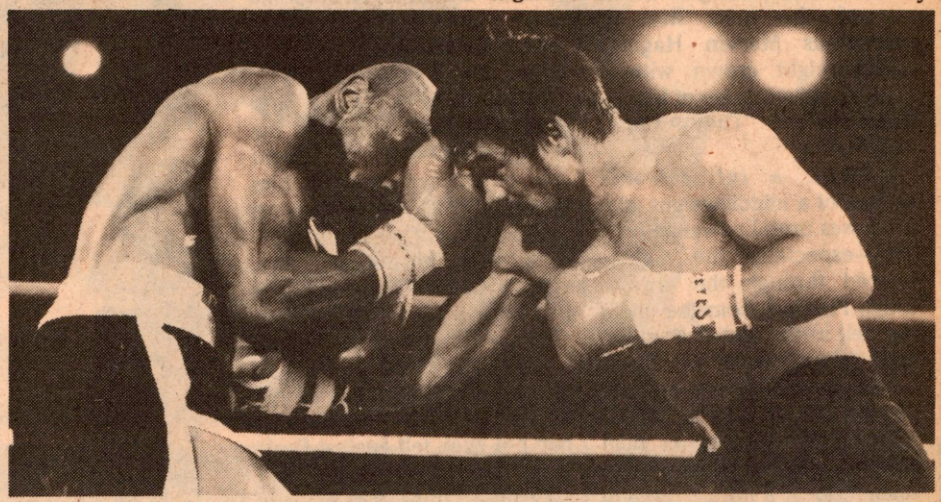
Round eleven found yet another swing in the action, this one precipitated by Hagler's decision to circle his foe, dancing back and forth around him—trying to sucker Duran into an opening. But Duran was having none of it and stood his ground. The round went to Duran although Hagler was later to ask incredulously "How can you? Nobody landed any punches..." Still, it gave Duran new confidence, confidence he showed in the twelfth and 13th rounds, abandoning his feint and counter-feint tactics and coming right at Hagler, his right hand landing more times in those two rounds than in the previous 11 combined.

Going into the 14th, his mouse now having erupted from what he later called a butt, visions of the Vito Antuofermo fight danced in Hagler's head. Reacting to the exhortions of the Petronelli Brothers, Hagler took the fight to the now-tiring Duran and gave him a beating, never a beating which put him in difficulty, but a beating nevertheless. It was enough to take the decision, a decision which had been in doubt through 13, two of the three blind mice at ringside having Duran ahead going into that 14th round. But despite his bedraggled state, Roberto gave one more moment of pure Duran, pounding his chest at the start of the 15th as if to say, you've got to give it to me..." down through his constant references to his being "tight" and he, meaning Duran, "was a legend." Roberto, on the other glove, was uncharacteristically charitable, who would only say, "He cannot knock me out...He is a lucky champion..." When asked how he would rate his conqueror, Roberto reverted to form and said, "I didn't learn anything from Hagler...Sugar Ray Leonard is the better fighter..."

And so ended "The Fight of the Century," or "Year" or "Month" or whathaveyou. If justice is truth in action, Roberto Duran has come all the way back to the status of legend—so much so, in fact, that there were all-night celebrations in the same Panama City which had discarded him only three years earlier.

The final footnote in the Out-of-Synch fight might well have been in the comment by Tommy Hearns—the possible next opponent for both participants—who said, "They should take the name 'Marvelous' away from Hagler and give it to Duran."

No, the fight belonged to Duran, even if the decision didn't. It was almost as if he had gone from "No Mas" to a line in a Carl Sandburg poem: "I am the people—the mob—the crowd—the mass..." From "No Mas" to "The Mass" in one year ain't bad, even if it is out-of-synch for the loser of a fight to "win."



HAGLER—DURAN SCORECARDS

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Judge Guy Jutras																
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"I'm still here and done my best; what have you done?"

The decision was unanimous, albeit too close to accurately reflect the fight: Marvelous Marvin Hagler was still the middleweight champion of the world by one point on two cards and two on the third.

After the fight the story was still Roberto Duran. Marvelous Marvin Hagler's portion of the post-fight press conference had been a round of congratulatory regrets, from his opening statement to the press, "Hey, now

RINGSIDE REPORTS

ROLDAN-FLETCHER

LAS VEGAS, NEV.—Argentina's Juan Domingo Roldan earned the next shot at Marvelous Marvin Hagler's middleweight crown with a sixth-round stoppage of highly-rated Frank "The Animal" Fletcher.

Roldan, a fullback-like bruiser of a middleweight who possesses brutal power in both fists—especially the right—walked through the always-tough Fletcher from the opening bell in the featured undercard fight to Hagler-Duran.

Though both men weighed 160 pounds, Roldan looked at least 10 pounds heavier than Fletcher. Only seconds after the opening bell, a hard overhand right—Roldan throws virtually nothing but overhand and sidearm punches—found Fletcher's always-accessible jaw. The punch wobbled him, but "The Animal" tore back into Roldan, though ineffectively. The pace and terms of the fight had been set. Roldan would throw nothing but bombs, while Fletcher was content to block them—with his jaw.

A wild—though powerful—right floored Fletcher late in the first round. It was a spectacular knockdown, as the punch landed on Fletcher's chin in mid-ring and sent Fletcher on a sub-orbital flight and halfway across the ring into the ropes. Incredibly, he was up almost immediately, but it was obvious who was going to win this fight. And how he would win it! The only question was, "How long will Fletcher be able to stand up?" The answer was forthcoming. Amazingly, incredibly, Fletcher took more of a battering than any fighter should ever—or could ever—withstand.

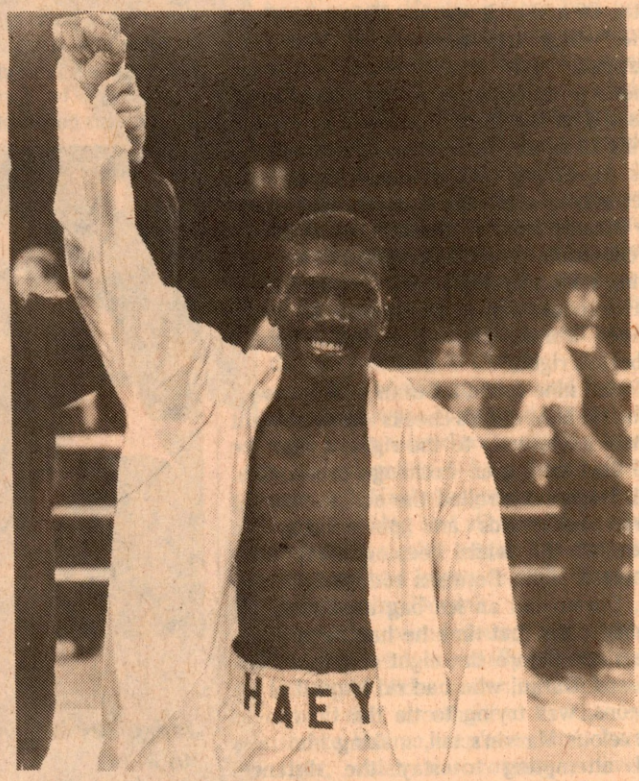
Roldan, 26, beat on "The Animal" and beat on him some more. Clubbing rights. Wild lefts. If Roldan threw a straight punch, it was by accident.

In the third round, Fletcher was being bullied along the ropes, when a shove caught him off-balance and sent him through the ropes and into the arms of ringside photographers. Moments after referee Carlos Padilla and the photographers had aided Fletcher back into the ring, a right staggered him. Fletcher grinned at Roldan, but inside, he was in pain. It was pain he had not even felt against Ernie Singletary, Tony Braxton, Clint Jackson, James Green and Sammy NeSmith. Over and over, Fletcher ate right hand bombs.

In round five, southpaw Fletcher had lost the snap on his punches. He pushed his jab and telegraphed his left. Unfortunately for him, he telegraphed his left in slow motion. Even the less-than-defensive Roldan was able to block the shots. On two occasions, wild, booming rights buckled his knees. Yet, he remained upright.

The end came late into round six. After absorbing nearly a full three minutes of leather, Fletcher staggered against the ropes. As he backed to the ropes, Roldan fired the straightest right he probably will ever throw. The punch caught Fletcher in the center of his face. He was unconscious before he hit the canvas, face down. The time was 2:58.

Doctors worked several minutes to revive the fallen Philadelphian. As he regained



FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

For the first time, the recipient of Fighter Of The Month award goes to a fighter who was not even listed in the top 20 by the Ring's International Rating Panel. That man is Gerald Hayes. He earned this unprecedented distinction by beating WBC featherweight champion Juan LaPorte in a 10-round non-title bout in Atlantic City.

Hayes, a well-traveled, 30-year-old, had been kicking around the sport since 1975, fighting all-comers, but getting nowhere. He made the best of his big opportunity, outhustling the poorly-conditioned LaPorte, surviving several rocky moments en route to a majority decision. It was truly the night of the underdog and Hayes grasped the moment. His upset win could very well lead to a world ranking and an eventual title shot.

his senses, Fletcher was asked by a ringside physician, "Do you know where you are?" He replied, "At the Sands, the Sands," referring to the Atlantic City hotel and casino where a majority of his fights have taken place.

For the 29-year-old Fletcher, the end seems imminent. Beaten on decision last February by Wilford Scypion—a defeat which thrust Scypion into a title fight against Hagler—Fletcher once again has lost a title opportunity. Now 17-4-1, he has a long way to come back. For when a man fights with Fletcher's reckless, care-less style and has just suffered a crushing knockout defeat, that long way back is a *very* long way back.

Roldan, now 50-2-2 (34 knockouts), is nearly as unlucky as Fletcher, for he will now face Hagler, supposedly on February 25th. Game but light-hitting Teddy Mann lasted 10 runds against Roldan last May. Though the heavy-handed Argentine won, he looked mediocre, at best.

If Roldan found a smart fighter like Teddy Mann to be problematic for him, he'll find Hagler impossible to beat. His only hope will be to land another of those big, straight rights on Hagler's chin.

The odds of that happening are incalculable!

In the Hagler-Duran supporting bouts, Charlie "White Lightning" Brown, 135, N. Haledon, N.J., won a loudly-protested decision over Frank Newton, 130½, Oklahoma City, 10 rounds. Brown was hurt in rounds two, three, four and 10, yet showed enough ring smarts and movement to impress the three judges.

Louis Burke, 131½, Las Cruces, N.M., moved his record to 15-0 with his second 10-round decision against Freddie Roach, 131½, Las Vegas. The fight was close all the way and highly-entertaining. Roach, in defeat, is now 31-5.

Promoter—Top Rank, Inc.
Matchmakers—Teddy Brenner and Bruce S. Trampler.
Attendance—15,050 (capacity)
(11-10-83)

RANDY GORDON

CURRY-HALEY
WBC Junior Welterweight Title

LAS VEGAS, NEV.—Their fights may never be considered classics, like Saddler-Pep, Graziano-Zale, and Ali-Frazier, but they're certainly intense.

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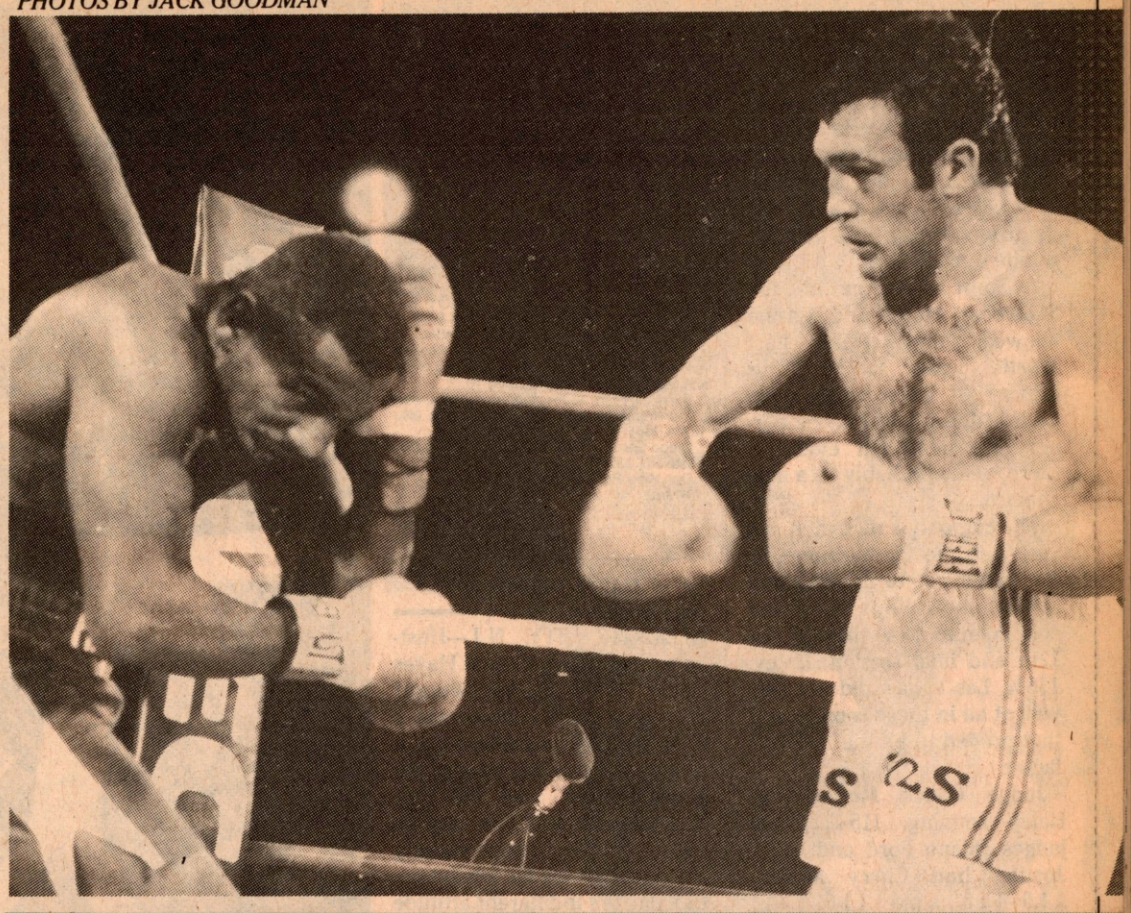
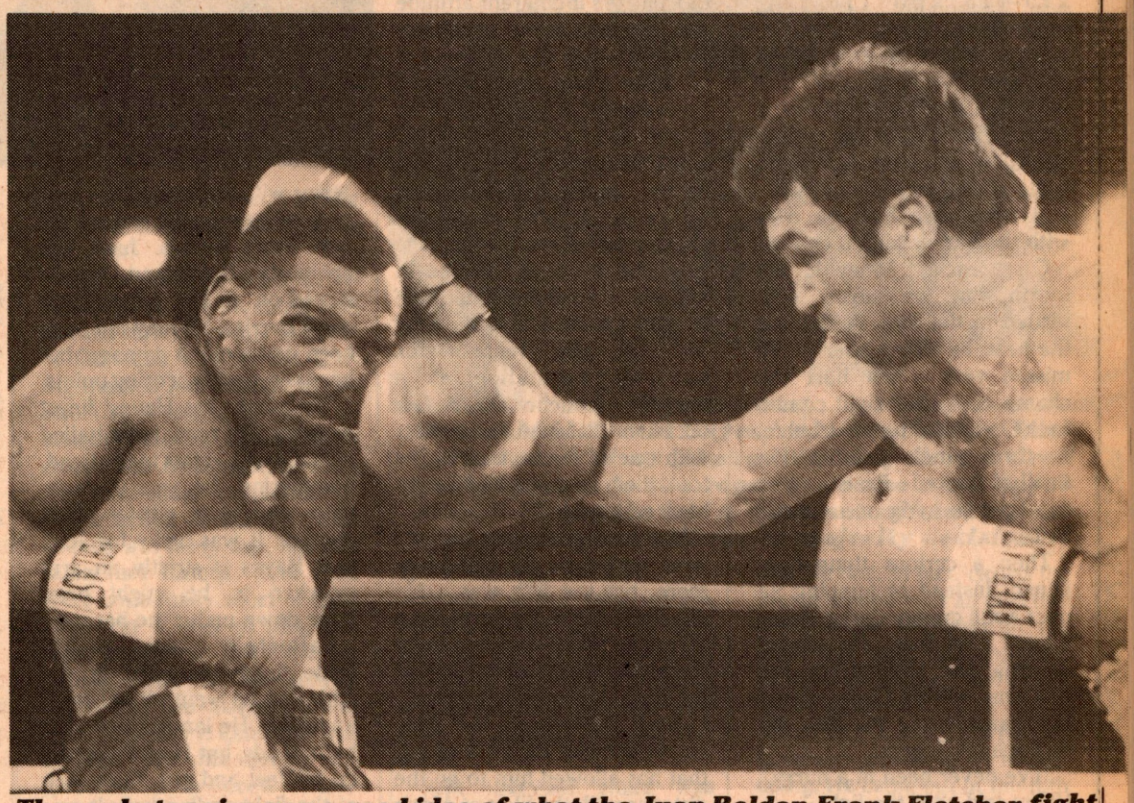




These photos give you a good idea of what the Juan Roldan-Frank Fletcher fight was like. If Fletcher is indeed "The Animal," the ASPCA will soon be after Roldan for the frightening battering he gave Fletcher.

Close, too.

For the second time in five months, Bruce Curry won a close decision over Leroy Haley for the World Boxing Council super lightweight (i.e., junior welterweight) championship. The first time, Curry dethroned Haley. This time, he retained his title.

A split decision at the Showboat Hotel and Casino allowed Curry, 139½, Fort Worth, Texas, to keep his crown, but, if not for the deep gash in the upper outside corner of Haley's left eyebrow, there would probably be a new champ.

The cut, only a nick then, occurred in the fourth frame. In the ninth, it began gushing blood into Haley's eye, and continued to do so through the 12th and final session. Haley, 138¾, Las Vegas, did not fare well at all in those rounds, and that proved to be the deciding factor.

Judge Chuck Minter had Haley winning, 115-113; but judges Duane Ford and Chris Jordan had Curry ahead, 115-113 and 116-114, respectively.

Early in the contest, it appeared as though the title would change hands. Haley, a speedy boxer now on rapidly aging legs, elected to stand and trade with Curry. He did well, and more than held his own with the harder hitting champ.

Curry rocked Haley in the fourth, but the tables were turned in the fifth. A right to the head by Haley after Curry missed with a left hurt the champ, and a left-right combo to the head had him in trouble. A three-punch combination finally floored Bruce, who managed to hang on until the bell.

Then a curious thing happened. Instead of jumping all over a still groggy Curry, Haley played it cautious. He started dancing and jabbing for the first time, letting Curry off the hook and letting the title slip through his fingers.

"I've never been in a hurry," Haley said after the fight.

Time caught up with him in the ninth via that deep cut, and Haley was reduced to running. What had worked so well for Leroy in the first eight rounds was now bad strategy. Curry rallied, and prevailed.

Curry, who was making his second defense, is now 34-7. Haley is 48-4-2.

Ronnie Shields, 142, Port Arthur, Texas, rallied to stop Chuck Peralta, 142½, Phoenix, Arizona, at 0:41 of the sixth round in a scheduled 10. Shields had been down.

Gabriel Bernal, 113½, Mexico, TKO'd Enrique Castro, 115¼, Los Angeles, at 0:53 of the second in their scheduled 10-rounder.

Tyrone Moore, 139½, Louisville, kayoed Jaime Chavez, 142, New Mexico, in 2:13 of the fifth round in another scheduled 10.

Ricky Lehman, 133¾, Tucson, Arizona, won a unanimous decision over Juan Gaxiola, also 133¾, four.

Diego Galez, 133¼, Los Angeles, and Ray Gastelum, 137¼, Phoenix, drew, four.

Don King Productions.

(10-19-83)

JIM HUNTER

HAYES-LA PORTE

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.—Hustling journeyman Gerald Hayes upset WBC featherweight champion Juan LaPorte via a majority 10-round decision in a fast-paced, non-title bout at the Sands. Hayes, who has performed honorably, but with little distinction, since turning pro in 1975, took full advantage of LaPorte's indifferent attitude and less-than-prime condition. In a day when the outcome of so many bouts are practically preordained, it was refreshing to see the "designated loser" upset the applecart and revitalize the concept of competition.

Hayes, a well-schooled, standup boxer, set a busy pace from the start. He bustled in and out, throwing a multitude of light punches, and showing little, if any, respect for LaPorte's reputation as a dangerous puncher. On the few occasions that Juan did connect with one of his bombs, Hayes took them in stride and fought back with gusto.

Many of the early rounds were very close and difficult to score, but the fifth was a big one for LaPorte. He hurt Hayes with a series of thudding body shots, and at one point, almost put Gerald through the ropes.

After weathering the fifth, Hayes showed the kind of grit that has allowed him to go the distance with the likes of Alexis Arguello, Bobby Chacon, and Lupe Pintor. He traded on even terms with LaPorte in the sixth and proceeded to sweep the next three rounds. Juan was obviously tired and Gerald stayed on his tail, punching in quick flurries. He may not have been doing much damage, but he was certainly scoring points.

The ninth was Hayes' finest moment. He repeatedly nailed LaPorte with rights to the head, hammering the weary champion into one corner after another. It was lucky for Juan that Hayes is strictly an arm puncher, or he might have gone down under the barrage.

LaPorte's championship pride finally surfaced in the 10th and he went all out for a knockout. He landed well with both hands, but Hayes was still on his feet and punching back at the fight-ending bell. It was another case of too little, too late. While judge Tony Castellano scored a 5-5 draw, he was overruled by judges Tommy Kaczmarek and Frank Brunette who voted for Hayes, 6-3-1 and 6-4, respectively.

"All I ever wanted was a chance," declared the happy winner. "I want a title shot. I think I deserve it."

LaPorte agreed, saying: "I lost a good fight. He didn't beat the champion because the belt wasn't on the line, but the guy deserves a shot if he gets a rating."

LaPorte, who had to make several attempts to make the 130½ contract weight, slipped to 24-4 with 13 knockouts. Hayes, 129, improved to a deceptive 24-19-4, 11 knockouts. The referee was Vicent Rainone.

In the scheduled 10-round, semi-final, Terrence Alli, 134¾, Brooklyn, overwhelmed veteran Jerome Artis, 136, Philadelphia, for a TKO at 2:07 of the second. Rights to the head put Artis down in both the first and second before referee Zack Clayton called a timely halt.

Fred Pendelton, 133½, Phila., and Kenny Willis, 136¾, Bridgeport, Conn., drew six. Referee, Clayton.

Pedro Alindato, 118, Paterson, N.J., won a unanimous decision over southpaw Darrell Thigpen, 117½, St. Louis, six. Referee, Rainone.

Gary Lightbourne, 208¼, New York, won a unanimous decision over Charles Vanderhall, 186¼, Long Island, six. Referee, Clayton.

Frank Minton, 165, Indianapolis, won a unanimous decision over southpaw Robert Thomas, 157½, Phila., four. Referee, Rainone.

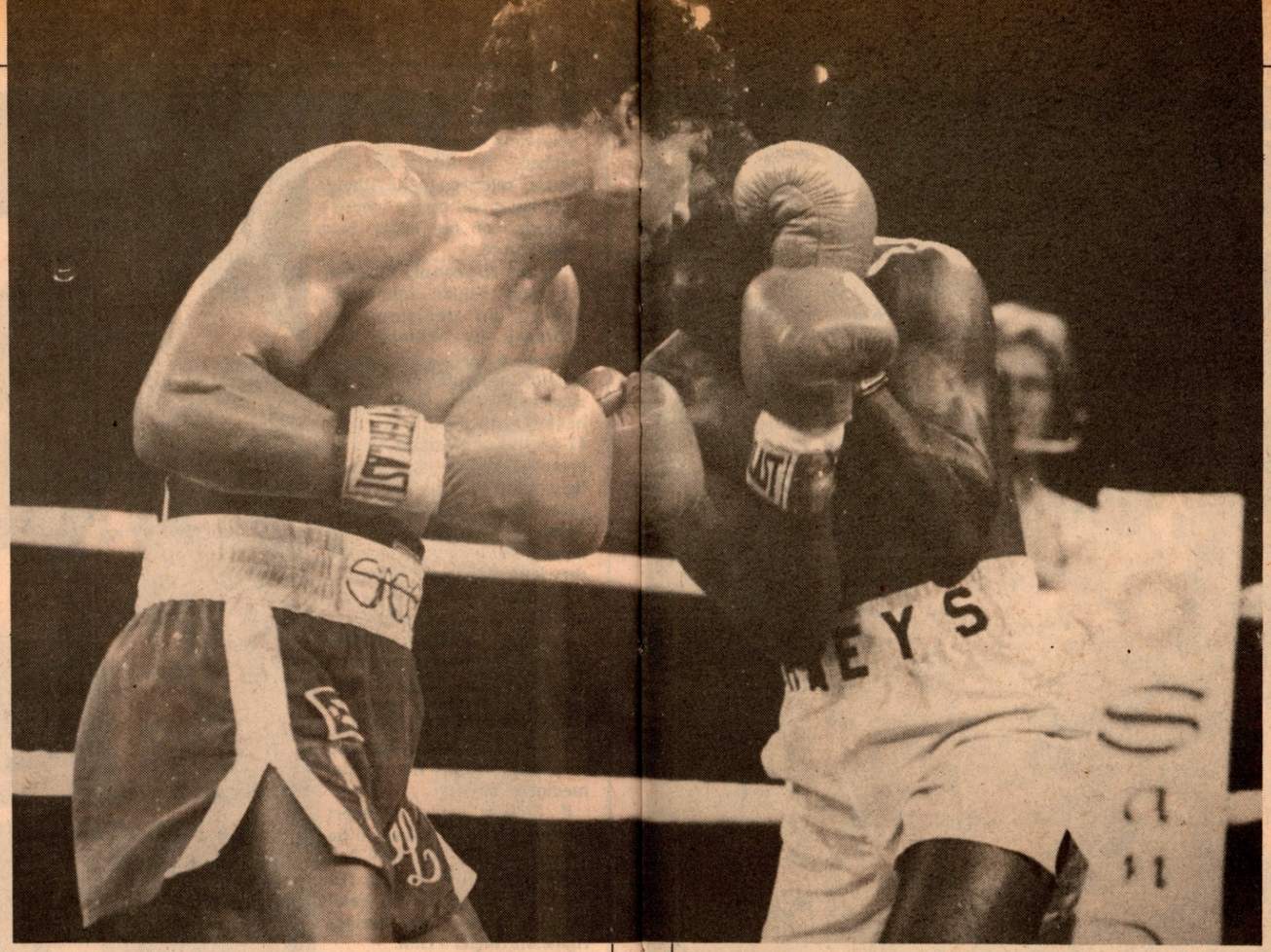
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson

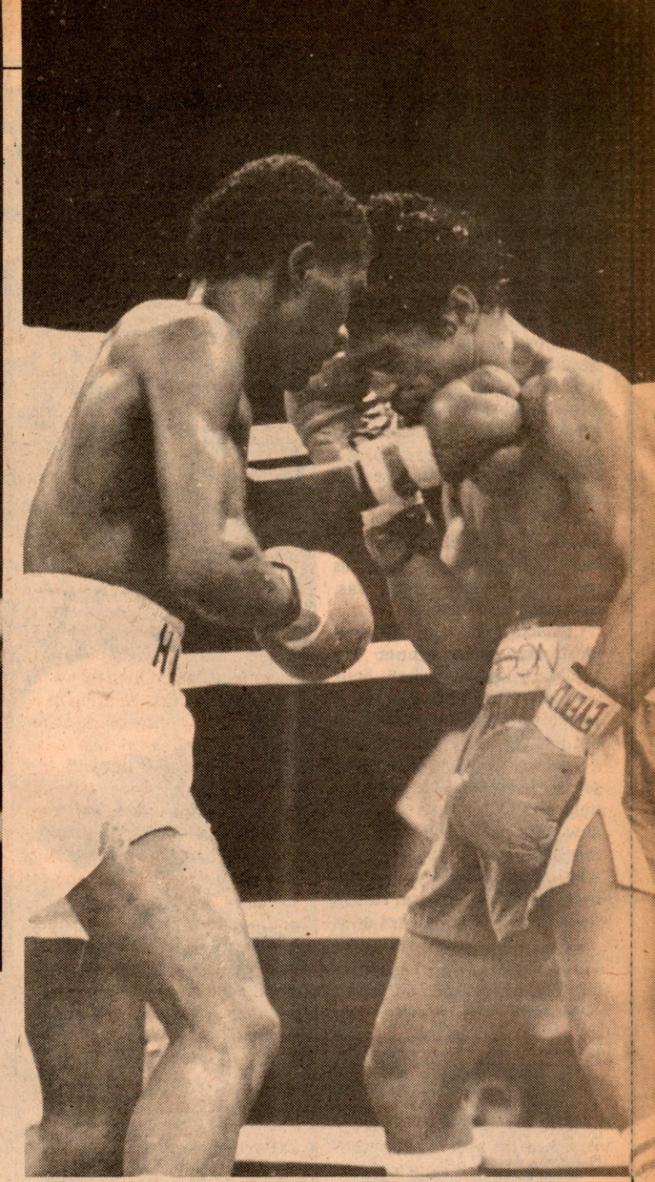
Promoter—Top Rank, Inc.

Attendance—900 (SRO).

(11-05-83)

NIGEL COLLINS





Unheralded Gerald Hayes and out-of-shape Juan LaPorte mix it up (above left). Any time a tired LaPorte went to the ropes for some rest, Hayes stayed close (above). A constant offensive barrage gave Hayes a 10-round majority decision.

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CAMACHO-SOLIS
WBC Jr. Lightweight Title

SAN JUAN, P.R.—HECTOR (Macho) Camacho, 129½, did not have the backing of the vociferous Puerto Rican crowd when he entered the ring to risk his WBC junior lightweight crown against Rafael Solis, 129. but when it was over, at 2:02 of the fifth with Solis taking the final count in a sitting position, the story was entirely different.

The reaction of those in attendance to the stunning and sudden turn of events in favor of Camacho was terrific. During the first four rounds, every effort by Solis was met with resounding cheers, and the flaws committed by Camacho were met with equal satisfaction.

The action in the first four rounds was fairly fast, but certainly not furious. Both men were continually short of their marks in a duel of jabs, but Solis seemed to have the advantage due to his greater reach. At close quarters, it was a different story. Camacho was stronger but his overly aggressive style drew warnings—about hitting below the belt and using the head—from referee Octavio Meyran on more than one occasion.

When the bell rang for the fifth, it looked as if the bout might go the scheduled 12-round distance. The men were fresh, and there was very little to choose from at this point.

Solis' nervous smile was rapidly turning into the serious look of a man convinced a major upset might be in the making. He had, in fact, closed the fourth session with an effective combination of blows to the head and body that appeared to have bewildered more than hurt Camacho.

Rafael's confidence, however, proved to be his undoing. He came out in the fifth round with a slightly different strategy, and committed the unpardonable sin of attemp-

ting to test his strength against Camacho's. Solis abandoned his stick-and-move tactics, and paid the price for it.

After he hurt Hector with a left uppercut, lightning struck Rafael. It struck in the form of a left hook that he practically walked into and that sent him down to the canvas in a sitting position. Blood started spurting from his mouth, and the nervous smile reappeared as if to say "I am okay" while knowing he was through. Solis arose at eight, but Camacho showed no mercy. He showered Rafael with punches from all angles at an incredible velocity, and Solis went down again—for the full count—with blood still spurting from his oral cavity. The smile was, ironically, still there.

Camacho was a jubilant and most expressive winner. He jumped with joy when Solis was counted out, exclaiming "I said I was going to take him out in five, and I did!"

This was Camacho's most impressive showing. He received only $200,000, plus a couple of new cars from Don King, for this bout, but it's going to take a lot more than that to get him in the ring in the future. He's in the million dollar bracket now.

Alberto Mercado, 122½, Puerto Rico, TKO'd Edwin Salgado, 123, Puerto Rico, at 3:00 of the fourth round in a scheduled 10. mercado is now 16-1 with 14 kayoes. Salgado is 14-7.

Jack Johnson, 187½, Homestead, Florida, TKO'd Dennis Jackson, 195½, Puerto Rico, at 0:50 of the third round intheir scheduled 10. Johnson is now 12-2. Jackson is 13-2.

Jose DeJesus, 109½, Puerto Rico, TKO'd Julio Tejeda, 106, Dominican Republic, at 1:20 of the third in another scheduled 10. DeJesus is now 15-0. Tejeda is 5-4-2.

Esteban Pizarro, 159½, Puerto Rico, won a unanimous decision over Edwin Rodriguez, 155½, Puerto Rico, eight. Pizarro is now 13-1. Rodriguez is 4-5.

Carmelo Huertas, 131, Puerto Rico, won a unanimous decision over Renaldo Delgado, 127½, Puerto Rico, four.

A scheduled four between Norris Gautier, 126, Puerto Rico, and Samuel O'Neil, 127½, was not used.

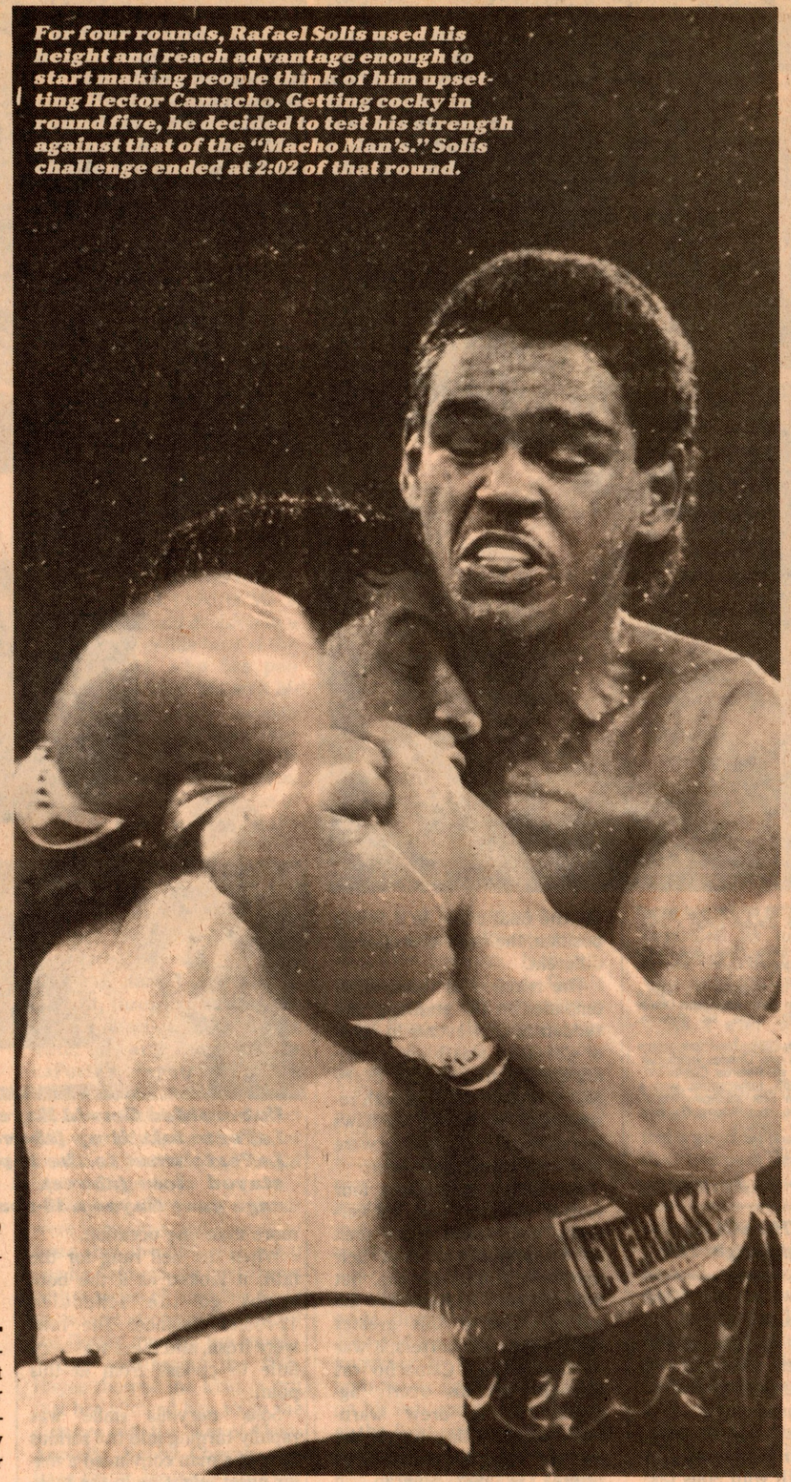
Site—Roberto Clemente Coliseum.
Don King Productions. HBO.
(11-18-83)

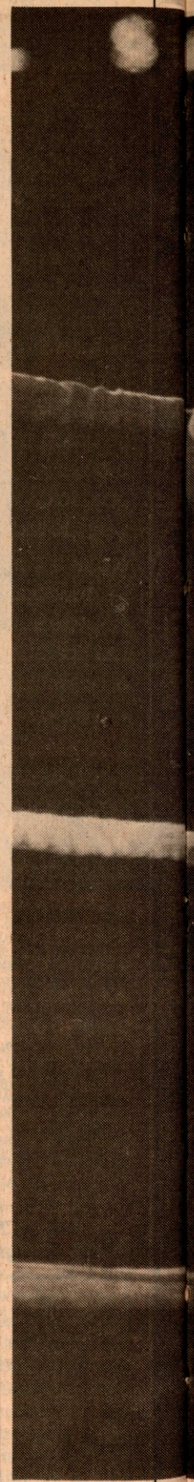
MARIO RIVERA MARTINO

HOLMES-FRAZIER
World Heavyweight Title

LAS VEGAS, NEV.—THEY PLAYed "When I Walk The Last Mile" as Marvis Frazier, father Joe, and their Philadelphia entourage chugged their way down the aisle for the younger

For four rounds, Rafael Solis used his height and reach advantage enough to start making people think of him upsetting Hector Camacho. Getting cocky in round five, he decided to test his strength against that of the "Macho Man's." Solis challenge ended at 2:02 of that round.





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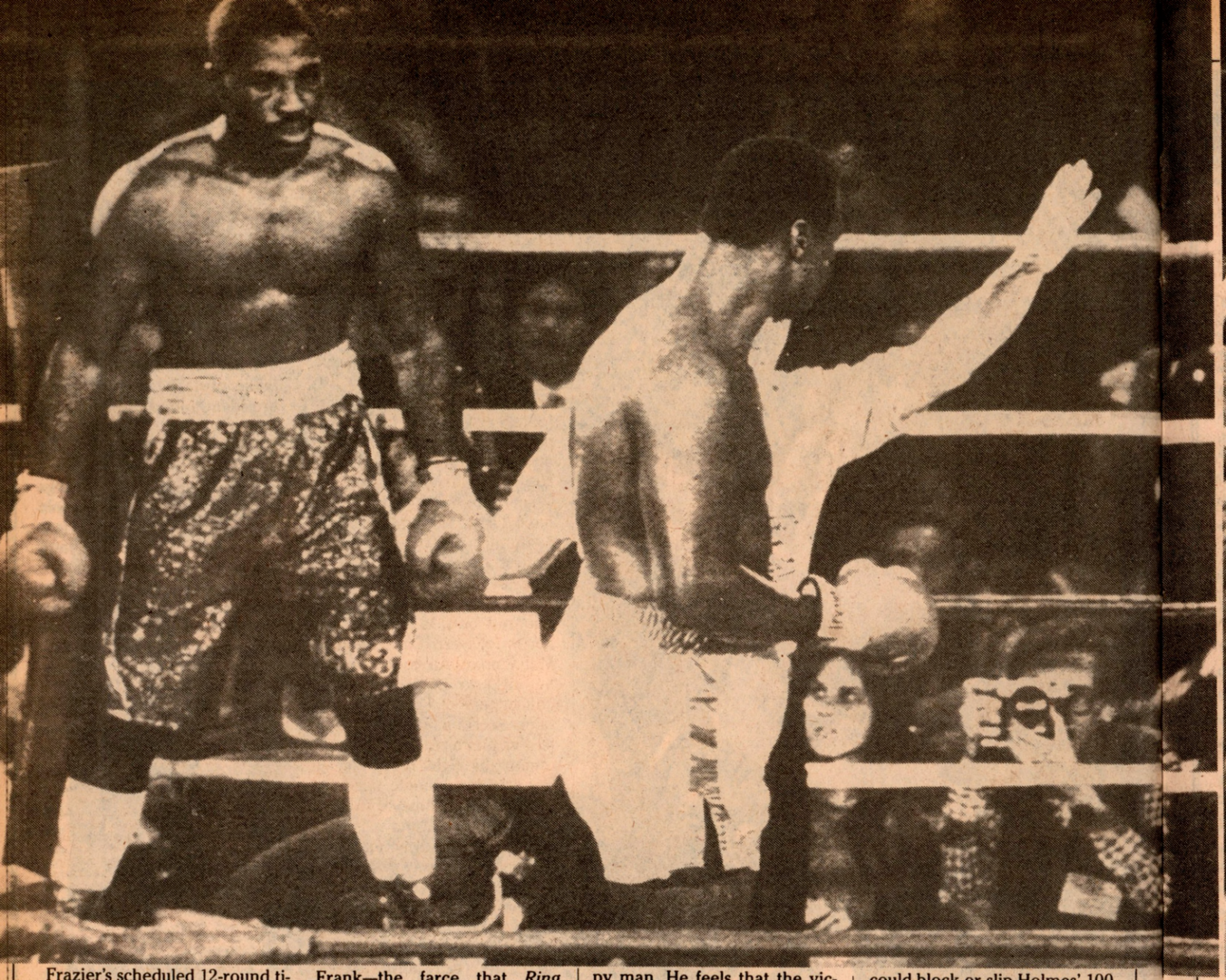

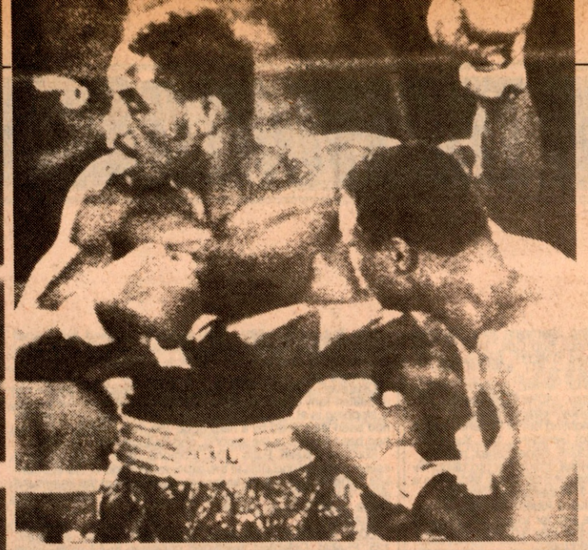

Left: Holmes knocks out Frazier's mouth piece with a right. Far left: It's all over after just 2:57. Below: The father.

Frazier's scheduled 12-round title bout with heavyweight champion Larry Holmes at Caesars Palace. The song's title inadvertently suggested a funeral durge, and that is what it proved to be for Marvis.

The challenger was stopped at 2:57 of the first round in what was probably the most onesided mismatch in the history of championship boxing. Floyd Patterson tried to crowd Sonny Liston and paid for it in 2:06 of the first round in their first encounter; Marvis Frazier did absolutely nothing against Larry Holmes.

NBC had bought this as part of a two-fight package, the first part of which was Holmes-Scott Frank—the farce that *Ring* refused to cover in its "Ringside Reports" section. But for Holmes vs. the Son-of-Joe, *The Ring* sent two men to Las Vegas. One would be tempted to be cynical, if the market on cynicism had not already been cornered by Larry Holmes.

Larry did not feel that he had to justify his title "defense" against Frazier. "If they pay me enough money," he barked to a daily newspaper scribe, "I'll do the same thing (i.e., knock you out) to you, too." Holmes, who got $2.6 million for beating up Joe Frazier's son, is a great fighter, but the untold millions he has earned have not made him, to all appearances, a happy man. He feels that the victories, be they athletic, financial, or social, he has won are phyrric. And that's very, very sad.

Larry says that he and his wife will go to Miami for a private and well-earned vacation. He says it to drive home the idea that he really doesn't care what other people think, or, in particular, what writers write. The truth, of course, is that he does care. He cares deeply.

The fight itself? . . . Well, the less said, the better. Holmes, 219, and Frazier, 200, spent the first half minute feeling each other out, and it wasn't long before Marvis learned that he could block or slip Holmes' 100 m.p.h. jab. He started moving around the ring in a half clowning fashion, even dropping his hands in a very premature effort to mock the champ. Larry waited till the time was right. Then he flicked his jab and—BOOM—landed a straight right that sent Frazier sliding down on the seat of his trunks. Marvis got up, and Larry, who figured that NBC wasn't entitled to much more action, launched a ferocious attack. He pressed Frazier into his own corner and began bombarding—prodding his head back with a soft left and then connecting with terrific rights, letting go with the left a split second before he threw the right and thus avoiding the old "holding-hitting" tag. In between right hands, Holmes gestured to referee Mills Lane to stop the fight. Finally, Lane did so, and the multi-million dollar farce was over.

Larry's trainer, Eddie Futch, appeared, as usual, the man of dignity and insight. Was Marvis ready for a fighter of Larry's calibre?

"That, I felt," said Eddie, "was the crux of the matter. . . . At least a year more of experience, five or six more fights."

Futch was somewhat more revealing about Larry Holmes' hostility—outside the ring. "Beginning with the Cobb fight," Futch said, "Larry has grown increasingly bitter. He feels he's been used, and he's angry with the people who have used him. He's taken cuts in purses, and then found that people have not been honest with him. He's done favors for people, and then been refused favors in return." The last was an obvious reference to Holmes' current feud with Bob Arum. Apparently, Holmes did, or thinks he did, a favor for Bob Arum, only to have the promoter give a flat "No" to Larry's request for twenty free $600 ringside seats for the Hagler-Duran fight.

"To hell with Bob Arum," Larry had said earlier. "I advise all the fighters in the world, black or white, to stay away from the sucker."

Holmes, there is no doubt, came up the hard way, being thrown in with tough opponents Futch was surprised to see get fights with anybody. "They had him fight Tiger Roy Williams—a six and a half footer who could box and punch. I tried to book Roy for awhile, and *I* couldn't get him fights." Larry outpointed Williams over 10. "He didn't have it soft," remembers Eddie.

Another part of Larry's bitterness is probably due to his lack of acclaim as a great heavyweight champion. This is due, not only to the fact that Larry followed the legendary Muhammad Ali as champion, but also to the fact that no challenger of almost equal talent to Holmes has emerged to give him a real test in a truly memorable fight. Larry himself has said that people need the perspective of time to make a proper analysis, and it is here felt that time will honor Larry Holmes. But Larry's bitterness remains.

Holmes seemed more affable at an eight o'clock press conference the following morning than he did immediately following the fight. The principal reason, however, is that Larry had spent almost the entire night partying in his Caesars Palace hotel room. "You don't see me chasin' women, drinkin', shootin' up drugs, or even gamblin' before a fight," he'd angrily exclaimed the night before. But when the fight was over, Larry drank. He was more than entitled.

But the cynical position still remained. Larry had a reported verbal commitment to make his next defense—if he didn't retire—against WBC #1 challenger Greg Page. Even Cedric Kushner, Gerrie Coetzee's mentor, conceded that that had to be dealt with before Holmes could meet Coetzee. Larry did not deny the promise or the responsibility; he merely said the boxing world could "kiss my ass. I'm retired unless I get an offer of $100 million to fight Coetzee."

One is reminded of the movie, *If I Had A Million*, in which Charles Laughton played a faithful, quiet employee who, upon learning that he's inherited a million dollars, climbs innumerable flights of stairs to give his firm's president a loud raspberry.

How many of us fantasize about doing that? In that sense alone, Larry Holmes, the man who has given the finger to the entire boxing world, is the embodiment of an American dream. Now, if only that could bring him happiness . . . or peace . . .

Bitterness can be a very hard mistress.

WBA lightweight champion Ray (Boom Boom) Mancini, 136¾, Youngstown, Ohio, knocked out Johnny Torres, 137, Homestead, Florida, in 2:58 of the first round in a scheduled non-title 10. A right hand knocked Torres into a corner, and another clean right sent him down. Johnny arose at nine, but Ray quickly sent him down for keeps with an uppercut, and referee David Pearl did not bother to complete the 10-count. Mancini is now 28-1 with 22 kayoes. Torres is 21-9 with 16 knockouts.

Eduardo Dominguez, 138, Los Angeles, Calif., TKO'd cut prone Steve Hearon, 139, Houston, Texas, at 1:23 of the third round in their scheduled 10. Hearon, who had lost to Lupe Aquino on a cut in his last outing, was ahead on two cards before the bout was halted due to a gash above his left eye. Joey Curtis, referee. Dominguez is now 15-0. Hearon is 24-4.

Lupe Aquino, 146, Santa Paula, Calif., and Eric (The Prince) Martin, 143½, San Francisco, drew, 10. The hard hitting Aquino seemed to have the edge, but Martin, a natural junior welter, revealed himself as a fine defensive boxer. Scoring: judges Dave Moretti and Dalby Shirley, both 95-95; judge Lou Tabat, 96-95, Aquino. Richard Steele, referee. Aquino is now 22-1-1. Martin is 16-3-2.

Wilfredo Vasquez, 119¾, San Juan, P.R., stopped Jose Rodriguez, 125½, Mexicali, with three knockdowns in 1:47 of the seventh round in another scheduled 10. Rodriguez, a sub for Tony Cisneros of Phoenix, gave Vasquez a battle for the first six innings in what proved to be the fight of the night. Joey Curtis, referee. Vasquez is now 23-1. Rodriguez is 14-12-3 with nine kayoes.

Mark Holmes, 160, Easton, Pa., the champ's brother, TKO'd Henry (Mr. Slick) Walker, 162, Los Angeles, at 2:59 of the eighth and final round. Richard Steele, referee. Holmes is now 25-0. Walker, who was just pathetic, is 22-12.

Gregg Edelman, 138¾, Merchantville, N.J., TKO'd Juan Gaxiola, also 138¾, Mexico, at 1:50 of the second round in a scheduled four. Referee Richard Steele stopped the contest after Gaxiola had been knocked down twice in the second; he was also floored twice in the first.

Timekeeper—Jane Broadfoot.
Knockdown Timer—Charles Roth.
Title bout judges—Duane Ford, Chuck Minker, Jerry Roth.
Site—Caesars Palace Sports Pavilion.
Promoters—Caesars Palace, Robert Andreoli, Murad Muhammad, Inc.
Attendance—4,993.
(11-25-83)

HERBERT G. GOLDMAN

RINGS AROUND THE WORLD

NORTH AMERICA

UNITED STATES

ARIZONA

PHOENIX—Veterans Memorial Colisseum—National Sports Concepts (Chris Evans and Tom Donato) presented what has to be one of the best heavyweight contests in the last three years. Monte Masters, Hartsorn, Oklahoma, survived the tremendous early onslaught of Tony "The Tonga Terror" Fulilongi, Phoenix, to score a TKO win in the 14th round and recapture the WAA heavyweight title. Masters almost did not make it through the second round, when he was knocked through the ropes onto the apron by a vicious right, and barely got to his feet by the count of nine. Masters clearly lost the first five rounds to the aggressive Fulilongi before beginning his comeback with an effective jab. Fulilongi, whose record fell to 22-1-1, 21 by knockout, began to show signs of fatigue in the sixth round and it became an absorbing question as to whether either of the combatants could go the fifteen scheduled rounds.

Referee Lew Eskin of New Jersey stepped between the fighters at 1:55 of the 14th round with Masters having pinned Fulilongi in the corner and battering him with his best shots. At the time of the stoppage, Fulilongi was ahead on the cards of the two judges by one and two points and behind on the card of referee Eskin. Masters raised his record to a reported 29-1 with 25 the knockouts.

The card was solid from top to bottom and was enhanced by the attendance of featherweight Jose Caba, heavyweight Randall (Tex) Cobb and "The Old Mongoose" himself, Archie Moore.

In a six round co-feature, Pete Anzaldua, 127, Phoenix, made short work of Roman Luke, 129, Phoenix, with a knockout in 1:21 of the first round, raising his record to 10-0.

Four rounders: Chris Alvarado, 135, Phoenix, decisioned David "Captain" Williams, also 135, Eloy, Az., in their pro debut. Nathan Dryer, 152, Mesa, Az., went to 3-1 with a knockout at 1:34 of the third over Pedro "Bulldog" Patino, 153, Perryville, Az., "Slammin" Sammy Ngata, 203, Phoenix, upped his record to 4-0 with a split decision over Pat Anderson, 218, Glendale, Az., the two time Arizona Golden Gloves Champion who fell to 1-1 as a pro. Former 1976 Olympic boxer Louis Curtis (118) Phoenix, went to 2-0 with a decision over tough Tito Arzate, 119, Phoenix, who fell to 14-6. J. T. Montgomery, 174, Phoenix, rose to 2-1 with a knockout of debuting Lewis Williams, 175½, Eloy, Az., at 1:30 of the fourth round. (Curtis and Montgomery are trained by Janks Morton and look to be good prospects.) In the walkout bout, debuting Raul Marquez, 152, Tucson, and Jessie "Kid K.O." Haro, 154, South Tucson, 3-0, fought to a majority decision draw, the dissenting judge giving the nod to Haro.

Referees—Bobby Ferrara, Roger Yanez, Lew Eskin.
Timekeeper—Steve Harmon.
Knockdowns—Sammy Munoz.
Ringside Physicians—C. D. Lake, D.O., Marcus Engleman, M.D.
Judges—Bob Cox, Dr. Michael Munoz, George LaBarre, Tom Dunleavy.
Announcer—Jack Budd.
Matchmaker—Steve Eisner.
National Sports Concepts.
(09-22-83)

ALICE BUDD

__PHOENIX—Ramada Inn East—Larry (Flash) Gary, 116½, Phoenix, won the Arizona State bantamweight title with a unanimous decision over defending champion Tony (Bulldog) Cisneros, 118, Phoenix, 12. Scoring: Bob Cox, 119-111; Tom Dunleavy, 119-110; George LaBarre, 118-111. Bobby Ferrara, referee. Gary is now 10-0. Cisneros is 12-6.

Eddie (Bang Bang) Walker, 143, Mesa, Arizona, won a unamimous decision over Mike Rizzo, 145½, Casa Grande, six. Walker is now 5-3. Rizzo is 6-4. Bobby Ferrara, referee.

Brian Matthews, 153, Chicago, fighting out of Phoenix, won a unanimous decision over Art (Indio) Geronimo, 150, Yuma, six. Matthews is now 8-1. Geronimo is 32-8. Roger Yanez, referee.

Al (Baby) Rodriguez, Jr., 134, Mesa, made his pro debut by stopping Art Vasquez, 129, Douglas, at 1:30 of the second in a scheduled four. Vasquez is now 2-2. Roger Yanez, referee.

Lewis Curtis, 114½, Phoenix, TKO'd Alberto Mendez, 118½, Phoenix, who failed to answer the bell for round two due to a severe cut inside his mouth. Curtis is now 3-0. Mendez is 5-3. Roger Yanez refereed the scheduled four.

Tommie (Maurito) Cordova, 126, Albuquerque, raised his log to 3-0 with a unamimous duke over Ronnie Gary, 128½, Phoenix, four.

Chris Alvardo, 133½, Phoenix, won a unamimous decision over Johnnie (Little) Redd, 137, Albuqueruque, in the opening four. Alvarado is now 2-0. Redd is 0-3. Roger Yanez, referee.

Judges—Bob Cox, Dr. Michael Munoz, George LaBarre, Tom Dunleavy.
Timekeeper—Steve Harmon
Knockdown Timer—Sammy Munoz.
Ring Announcer—Jack Budd.
Ringside Physicians—C.D. Lake, D.O., Marcus Engleman, M.D.
Promoter/Matchmaker—Jack Gartley.
(10-28-83)

ALICE BUDD
JOHN O'BRIEN

CALIFORNIA

__LOS ANGELES—Olympic Auditorium—Ramon Marchena, 131, Ensenada, rallied in the final three rounds to win a unanimous decision over Brazilian junior lightweight champion Francisco Tomas, 132, Sao Paulo. The previously unbeaten Tomas was ahead on all cards until floored late in the ninth. Scoring: referee Rudy Jordan, 96-95; judge Dr. James Jen-Kin, 96-94; judge Armando Muniz, 97-96.

Another close but unanimous winner was Derrick Kelly, 149, Los Angeles, who outpointed rangy southpaw Betram Buchanan, 152, Las Vegas, over six—despite losing a point for low blows in the third.

James Sowell, 129, Los Angeles, and Joe Perez, 132, East Los Angeles, fought to a deserved eight-round draw. Perez had an edge in stamina, but Sowell had more boxing skills. Scoring: referee Muniz, 78-71, Sowell; judge Jen-Kin, 77-76, Perez; judge Jordan, 77-77.

Danny Venegas, 139 ¾, Bakersfield, was a four-round majority winner over Glen McGee, 138, Compton, in an always interesting battle of southpaws. Scoring: referee Jen-Kin, 39-37; judge Muniz, 39-39; judge Jordan, 39-38.
(10-06-83)

__VENTURA—County Fairgrounds—Joey Olivio, 108, East Los Angeles, retained his North American light flyweight title with a unanimous 12-round decision over former Mexican national champion Luis Hernandez, 108, Culiacan. The much shorter Hernandez wobbled Olivio in the ninth, but Joey used an effective jab to win all of the early rounds. Scoring: judge Chuck Hassett, 119-110; judge Joe Garcia, 118-111; judge Lou Filippo, 118-110. Referee Larry Rozadilla did not score.

Sam Espinosa, 128, Santa Paula, unanimously outpointed J.T. Walker, 125, Las Vegas, six.

Peter Cunningham, 137, Santa Monica, unanimously outscored Jorge Lua, 136, Tijuana, five.

Joe Esquivel, 163½, Los Angeles, kayoed Chris Faumuina, 163, in the first round of a scheduled four.
(10-09-83)

__INGLEWOOD—Forum—Slow starting James Salerno, 175, Orlando, Florida, established himself as the favorite of the $140,000 Forum light heavyweight championship tournament with a seventh round stoppage win (1:49) over two-time California State challenger Jesse Island, 175, Orange. Salerno used only a left jab in the first five rounds, but Island was cut and wobbled soon after Salerno opened up with both hands in the sixth. Scoring after six: referee John Thomas, 59-56, Salerno; judge Chuck Hassett, 60-55, Salerno; judge Armando Muniz, 60-56, Island.

In another scheduled 10-round tournament bout, Nevada champion Mike Clark, 175, S. Lake Tahoe, kayoed Marcos Garcia, 175, San Diego, at 2:31 of the sixth to advance to the light heavyweight semi-finals. Clark was floored in the second and the forth, but rallied to drop an exhausted Garcia three times in the sixth. Scoring after five: referee Muniz, 48-45; judge Hassett, 47-46; judge Thomas, 48-45—all for Garcia.

Felipe Canela, 146, Inglewood, unanimously outpointed Victor Abraham, 150, Phoenix, in the featured non-tournament bout. Scoring: referee Hassett, 97-93; judge Muniz, 100-91; judge Thomas, 98-94.

Billy Robertson, 158½, Los Angeles, knocked out Darrell Hollowell, 162, Anaheim, referee Thomas intervening at 2:18 of the fourth in a scheduled six after Hollowell had been decked for the third time.

Denorvell Collier, 197, Los Angeles, stopped previously unbeaten Tony Chicione, 186½, Yorba Linda, referee Muniz rightly stepping in at 1:19 of the fourth and final round after Chicione had been staggered by a hard right. The much shorter Chicione had been floored in the second, and had lost every round.

Southpaw Keith Potts, 134, Pomona, got his professional career off to a good start at the expense of Roberto Garcia, 134, Los Angeles, who was unanimously outpointed in the four-round show opener. Scoring: referee Hassett, 39-38; judge Muniz, 39-38; judge Thomas, 40-38.
(10-12-83)

__LOS ANGELES—Olympic Auditorium—Benji Marquez, 125, Pueblo, Colorado, remained unbeaten in 13 professional starts with an extremely hard fought but unanimous 10-round points verdict over gutsy Juan Rodriguez, 124, Los Angeles. Marquez used a long sharp jab and stinging combinations to win the first six rounds, but had to survive some rocky moments in the seventh, eighth, and 10th. Scoring: referee Vince Delgado, 98-94; judge Larry Rozadilla, 97-94; judge Rudy Jurdan, 97-94.

Once beaten Alvin Prouder, 160, Santa Monica, returned to the ring for the first time since being kayoed in June with a five-round split decision over Don Bracy, 159, Los Angeles. Scoring: referee Jordan, 49-47, Prouder; judge Rozadilla, 49-47, Prouder; judge Delgado, 49-47, Bracy.

Luis Hernandez, 127, Redlands, was awarded a technical decision over Alfonso Hidalgo, 127, Glendale, at 2:05 of the fifth and final session. Hernandez, unable to continue after being the recipient of an unintentional butt, had won every round.

Unbeaten John Watkins, 125, Los Angeles, and once beaten Luis Perez, 126½, Anaheim, fought to a four-round draw. Scoring: referee Pat Connolly, 38-38; judge Jordan, 39-38, Perez, Judge Delgado, 38-38.

Debuting Carlos Martinez, 114½, San Pedro, opened the show with a clear four-round unanimous decision over previously unbeaten Rogello Martinez, 114½, Los Angeles.
(10-13-83)

__LOS ANGELES—Olympic Auditorium—Oscar Muniz, 118½, Pico Rivera, took another step nearer to the WBA bantamweight championship held by Jeff Chandler with a tougher than expected but unanimous 10-round decision over switch hitting Julio Ridriguez, 117½, Fremont. Muniz, an upset winner over Chandler in his previous fight, scored the only knockdown of the fight with 30 seconds left in the second. The bout drew an ovation and a shower of coins from ringsiders. Scoring: referee Lou Filippo, 99-91; judge Lou Moret, 100-90; judge Gwen Farrell, 99-94.

Jorge Ramirez, 123¾, Los Angeles, drew with Shorty Almaguer, 125, Chino, over eight brisk and entertaining rounds. Almaguer, down in round two from a left uppercut, showed the greater variety of punches, but did not hit hard enough to slow down the aggressive Ramirez. Scoring: referee Moret, 77-74 Ramirez; judge Filippo, 76-76; judge Farrell, 77-76, Almaguer.

Alfonso Velasquez, 128, E. Los Angeles, reversed a previous points defeat by unanimously outscoring James Sowell, 129, Los Angeles, five.

Danny Rodriguez, 149, Bell, TKO'd Ronnie Adams, 148, Culver City, Adams retiring in his corner at the end of the third in a scheduled five. Adams decked Rodriguez in the first and dominated the fight until cut and floored half way through the third.

Debuting Alex Maciel, 155, Pomona, unanimously outpointed Marcos Jacobo, 156, Los Angeles, four. Scoring: referee Moret, 39-36; judge Filippo, 39-37; judge Farrell, 39-36.
(10-20-83)

__LOS ANGELES—Olympic Auditorium—Baby Joe Ruelaz, 126½, Placentia, stopped Rocky Alonso, 126, Guadalajara, Mexico, at 0:51 of the fifth round in a scheduled 10. Referee Pat Connolly intervened when Ruelaz reopened a nasty cut over the badly swollen right eye of Alonso. Ruelaz, returning to the ring for the first time in over a year, is now 12-1 with 11 knockouts.

Billy Smith, 144, Boston, kayoed Damasio Cortez, 144¼, Los Angeles, with a left hook to the body in 2:04 of the fourth round in a scheduled six.

Joe Esquivel, 162, Los Angeles, decked Don Bracy, 160, Los Angeles, enroute to Gwen Farrell, 49-47; judge Connolly, 48-45.

Unbeaten Nick Delong, 222, Long Beach, was a one punch knockout winner over Frank Garcia, 205, Los Angeles, referee Connolly intervening at 1:29 of the first round in a scheduled four.

Gustavo Lopez, 122½, Los Angeles, and Enrique Ayala, 119, Los Angeles, drew four. Scoring: referee Rozadilla, 38-38; judge Farrell, 39-37 Lopez, judge Connolly, 38-38.
(10-27-83)

DEAN LOHUIS

FLORIDA

__TAMPA-Hyatt Regency Ballroom—John Mugabi, 155, Uganda, kayoed veteran Don Morgan, 150, Nashville, Tenn., in 2:11 of the first round in the scheduled 10-round main event.

Kenny Snow, 155, Columbus, Ohio, won a unanimous decision over Raul Hernandez, 157, Miami, Florida, eight. Snow is still unbeaten.

Alfonso Torres, 148, Colombia, knocked out Jose Pacheco, 150, Houston, Texas, in 2:25 of the sixth round in their scheduled eight. Torres is now 13-0—all knockouts.

Frankie Randall, 135, Morristown, Tenn., kayoed Freddie Guzman, 137, Miami, in 1:56 of the sixth.

Don Shiver, 154, Tampa, kayoed Lonnie Wilcox, 154, Maclenny, Florida, in 2:12 of the first round in a scheduled six.

Robert Pew, 162, Tampa, won a unanimous decision over Ricky Stackhouse, 161, Atlanta, Georgia, four. Stackhouse was floored twice in the first round and once in the second.

Victor Sanchez, 151½, Atlanta, TKO'd Robert Doby, 149, Deland, Florida, at 0:32 of the third round in their scheduled four.

Robert Kirkpatrick, 176, TKO'd Enrique Nelson, 176, Bronx, New York, at 1:38 of the third round in their scheduled four.

Harvey Hester, 140, Orlando, made his pro debut with a decision over David Fowler, 140½, Tampa, four.

Promoter—Phil Alessi.
Matchmaker—Ken Rosenberg.
Attendance—1,200 (estimated).
(09-16-83)

__HIALEAH-Milander Auditorium—Troy Higby, 115, Ft. Lauderdale, won a close decision over popular Steve Whetstone, 114½, Homestead, eight. Steve had been inactive for three months.

Jose Perez, 175, Miami, won a split duke over Joe Dolphin, 176, Miami, eight.

Juan Hernandez, 127, Cuba, TKO'd Juan Diaz, Miami, at 2:04 of the first round in their scheduled six.

Adolfo Medel, 135½, Miami, TKO'd Billy Cunningham, 136, Miami, at 2:10 of the third round in their scheduled six.

Willie McGee, 152, Miami, outpointed Joe Walcott, 149, Virgin Islands, six.

John Burney, 160, Miami, outscored John Dowe, 162, Miami, four.

Promoter—Julio Martinez.
Attendance—850 (estimated).
(09-21-83)

__MIAMI-Jai-Alai Fronton—Maravilla Prieto, 130, Chile, outscored Rocky Fernandez, also 130, Panama, in a hotly contested 10-round slugfest. Prieto, who fought with a cut eye from the fifth round on, is now 44-1-2. Bernie Soto, referee.

Luis Urroco, 138, Miami, won a unanimous decision over Rod Thompson, 142, Spartanburg, South Carolina, eight. Thompson was floored in the first.

Alcides Morales, 114, Cuba, won a unanimous decision over Hector Martinez, also 114, Puerto Rico, eight.

Luis Quintana, 175, Colombia, TKO'd Pete Jacco, also 175, Palm Beach, Florida, at 2:13 of the first round in a scheduled six. Jacco was knocked down before the stoppage.

David de la Rosa, 128½, Mexico, outpointed Carlos Albuerne, 126, Miami, six. This was a rematch, and de la Rosa outpunched Albuerne in an action fight that had the fans on their feet.

Anthony Davis, 149½, Miami, kayoed Mark Marsh, 155, Miami, with a right shot to the chin in 1:48 of the first round in a scheduled four.

Promoter—Felix Zabala/Tuto Enterprises.
Matchmaker—Lou Barsky.
Attendance—900 (estimated).
(09-23-83)

__MIAMI-Jai-Alai Fronton—Danny Sanchez, 140½, Puerto Rico, won a hard fought verdict over Pedro Laza, 140, Cuba, 10.

Ruben Herasme, 129½, Miami, TKO'd stringbean Sammie Chapman, 140, Miami, at 2:18 of the fourth. Referee Bill Conners stopped the contest after Chapman had been knocked down twice.

Joe Walcott, 155, Miami, won a split duke over Raul Hernandez, also 155, Miami, six.

Julio Casimiro, 139, Miami, and Cornelius Drane, 138, Miami, drew in the four-round opener.

Promoter—Felix Zabala.
Matchmaker—Lou Barsky.
Attendance—1,120.
(09-30-83)

__HOLLYWOOD-Diplomat Hotel—Top ranked featherweight Bernard Taylor, 127¼, Knoxville, Tenn., won a unanimous decision over Rocky Fernandez, 128, Panama, 10. No knockdowns, but the fight was Taylor's all the way. He's now 24-0-1 with 18 kayoes.

Keith Adams, 158½, Ft. Lauderdale, TKO'd the veteran Rocky Stevens, 161, Jacksonville, Florida, who was unable to come out for the fourth round in a scheduled eight. Adams is now 9-0-1.

Dexter Bowman, 157, North Miami Beach, kayoed J.T. Thomas, 159, Ft. Lauderdale, at 1:14 of the fourth round in a scheduled six. Bowman was floored in the first, and seemed to be on the losing end until he decked Thomas with a terrific right in the fourth that had him out for five minutes.

Slobodan Kacar, 173¼, Yugoslavia, halted Jose Perez, 175, Miami, at 2:12 of the fifth round in a scheduled six. Eddie Eckardt, referee. Kacar, managed by Angelo Dundee, is now 5-0.

Luis Quintana, 179, Colombia, TKO'd Dick Curry, 173, Enid, Oklahoma, at 1:12 of the third round in their scheduled six. Harry Brennan, referee.

Nate Robinson, 195½, Hollywood, kayoed Joe Lewis Bailey, 197, Ft. Myers, Florida, in 2:57 of the third round in a scheduled four.

Scott Wheaton, 193, Miami, TKO'd Calvin Jones, 184, Miami, at 2:59 of the third round in their scheduled four.

Promoter—Ernie Letiziano/Ringside Events.
Matchmaker—Lou Barsky.
Attendance—962.
(10-08-83)

__MIAMI-James L. Knight Convention Center—Top ranked heavyweight contender Greg Page, 239, Louisville, Kentucky, TKO'd Rick Kellar, 212, Sioux City, Iowa, at 1:00 of the second round in a scheduled 10. Page opened cuts over both of Kellar's eyes and floored him in both sessions. Eddie Eckardt, referee.

Johnny de la Rosa, 128, Miami, TKO'd Ervin Gonzalez, 125, Puerto Rico, at 2:26 of the fourth round in their scheduled 10. Gonzalez was hit low, and was unable to continue.

Julian Jackson, 153, Virgin Islands, stopped Jeff Nelson, 154, Miami, at 2:31 of the third round in another scheduled 10. Jackson is now 15-0.

Willie Machado, 147, Miami, knocked out Victor Guzman, 148, Miami, in 1:40 of the first round in a scheduled six.

Ray Estadas, 132, Miami, outpointed Troy Davis, 129, Tampa, four.

Carlos Alburne, 128, Miami, outscored Alfonso Evans, 132, Miami, four.

Juan Hernandez, 127, Hialeah, outscored David de la Rosa, 128, Miami, in the best fight of the night. Hernandez is now 2-0 in the pro ranks.

Promoters—Don King, Tuto Zabala.
Matchmakers—Bob Goodman, Lou Barsky.
Publicity—Murray Goodman
Attendance—1,000 (estimated).
(10-15-83)

__MIAMI-Jai-Alai Fronton—Juan Arroyo, 134, Miami, won over Johnny Torres, 136, Homestead, Florida, 10. Scoring: referee Bill Conners, 97-94; judge Rick Bays, 97-95; judge Al Wilensky, 96-96. Arroyo is now 19-0-1.

Luis Urraca, 135, Miami, TKO'd Danny Wilcox, 130, Miami, at 1:05 of the fifth round in a scheduled eight. Wilcox, 130, Miami, at 1:05 of the fifth round in a scheduled eight.

Tony Torres, 144½, Homestead, and Raul Hernandez, 148, Miami, drew, eight.

Leonel Perez, 118, Miami, outscored Teofilo Centeno, 119, 119, Homestead, four.

Anthony Day, 148, Miami, scored two knockdowns, was floored twice himself, and finally kayoed Leonardo Gonzalez, 144, Cuba, in 2:25 of the first round in a scheduled four.

Promoter—Felix Zabala/Tuto Enterprises.
Matchmaker—Lou Barsky.
Attendance—2,050 (capacity).
(10-21-83)

LOUIS ZIPKIN

ILLINOIS

__CHICAGO—DiVinci Manor—Steffen Tangstad, 209¼, Chicago, demolished Joe Mooney, 290¼, Savannah, Georgia, in 0:42 of the second round in a scheduled 10. The Illinois State Boxing Board later said Mooney was "too fat and out of shape" and ordered him "retired in Illinois." Steffen is still undefeated.

Mike Landini, 154, Chicago, TKO'd Mackie Heimbaugh, 152½, Des Moines, Iowa, at 2:38 of round three in their scheduled 10. Landini is now 17-1.

Randy Smith, 165, Chicago, halted Gary Jones, 166, Milwaukee, in 1:35 of the fourth round in a scheduled eight. Jones was handed an even more severe setback a week later, when the Illinois Board suspended him indefinitely for boxing while under medical suspension in another state.

Reggie Walker, 176, Cleveland, eked out a split verdict over Elvis Parks, 174, Chicago, eight.

Four-rounders: Kelly Devine, 139, Chicago, outscored debuting Cedric McEwen, 141, Chicago. Larry Martin, 158, Maywood, Illinois, outpointed Solomon Jones, 151, Chicago. Sugar Lee Jones, 153, Chicago, outscored Emanuel Ward, 154¼, Chicago, Veteran Johnny Heard, 159, Chicago, outpointed Lorenzo Brandon, 162, Chicago. All decisions were unanimous.

Referees—Stanley Berg, Brian O'Shea.
Judges—Al James, Bill Lerch, Collins Brown, John Ricci.
Timekeeper—Al Tremari.
Ring Announcer—Angelo Buscaglia.
Ringside Physician—Glenn Bynum, M.D.
Promoter—Ernest Terrell.
Attendance—407.
(10-24-83)

__CHICAGO—Americana Congress Hotel—Alfonzo Ratliff, 199, Chicago, TKO'd Bashir Wadud, 202, Waukegan, Illinois, at 2:35 of round seven in the scheduled 10-round main event.

Ala Hamza UFO, 147, Chicago, knocked out Carl Crowley, 145½, Iowa City, Iowa, in 2:42 of the second in a scheduled eight-rounder. Hamza, formerly known as Veabro Boykin, is now 13-0-1.

Henry Mobley, 140, Chicago, won a unanimous decision over Reese Smith, also 140, Nashville, Tenn., six.

Mick Ransom, 159½, Chicago, TKO'd Yedidiah Judah, 161½, Chicago, at 2:08 of the second round in their scheduled six.

Four-rounders: Russell MItchell, 152, Milwaukee, won a close but unanimous decision over debuting Tom Jackson, also 152, Waukegan, Illinois. Fred Reed, 176, Chicago, TKO'd James Church, 170, Nashville, in the first round. Jim Finn, 197, Chicago, TKO'd Stanley Johnson, 190, Milwaukee, at 2:40 of the second.

Referees—Stanley Berg, Bobby Carillo.
Judges—Mike Glienna, John Ricci, Harols Marovitz, Al Tremari, Jim LeBell.
Timekeeper—Mike Murphy.
Ring Announcer—Dick Elliott.
Ringside Physician—Glenn Bynum, M.D.
Promoter—Ernest Terrell.
Attendance—407.
(11-02-83)

__CHICAGO—DiVinci Manor—1980 U.S.A. Olympic heavyweight champion Lee Roy Murphy, 192, Chicago, decked Willie Crawford, 182, Columbus, Ohio, three times in the first round for a stoppage at the 2:49 mark. It was scheduled for 10.

Tony Tucker, 216, Detroit, TKO'd James Holley, 200, Ashtabula, Ohio, at 2:20 of the first in their scheduled 10-rounder.

Craig Bodzianowski, 188, Tinley Park, Illinois, made it 8-0 with a TKO over Vern Bridges, 184, Flint, Michigan, at 2:15 of the third round in a scheduled eight.

Muleman Alexander, 161, Chicago, TKO'd Stan White, 163, Detroit, at 2:27 of the second in their scheduled eight-rounder. The Muleman is now 10-2.

Six-rounders: Jeff Lanas, 157, Chicago, knocked out De Bo Pickering, 152, Erie, Pa., in 0:54 of the third. Billy Moreno, 133½, Chicago, stopped Wayne Ingram, 140¼, Waukegan, at 2:12 of the second. (Ingram might consider another profession; he's now 0-9-1.)

Four-rounders: Brent Hatler, 161, Glendale Heights, Illinois, TKO'd Eugene Holley, 155, Ashtabula, at 2:39 of the first round. Emilio Sotomayor, 136, Chicago, won a unanimous decision over Tony Rutledge, 128, Columbus, Ohio. Dwight Pratchett, 136, Gary, Indiana, made his first pro start with a unanimous decision over Paul Rutledge, 134, Columbus.

Referees—Stanley Berg, Nate Morgan.
Judges—Mike Glienna, John Ricci, Collins Brown, Bill Lerch.
Timekeeper—Al Tremari.
Ring Announcer—Ben Bentley.
Ringside Physician—Glenn Bynum, M.D.
Promoter—Cedric Kushner.
Attendance—507.
(11-07-83)

BOB SODERMAN

INDIANA

__HAMMOND—Civic Center—Carlos (The Force) Tite, 160½, Hammond, retained his Indiana State middleweight title by outpointing Wilbert (Vampire) Johnson, also 160½, Indianapolis, 10.

Junior middle Monte Oswald, Bay City, Michigan, TKO'd Rich Beranek, Hammond, at 0:45 of the seventh.

Sylvester (Red Bomber) Kennon, St. Louis, stopped Troy Townsend, Milwaukee, at 1:50 of the third. Kennon, a featherweight, is now 13-4.

Tim Anderson, Lansing, Michigan, outscored Floyd Saunders, Seymour, Indiana, four, light leavies.

Kenny Larson, Beverly Shores, Indiana, outpointed Frank Lux, Rapid City, South Dakota, six. Larson, a junior middle, is now 5-0.

Mike Mungin, Philadelphia, TKO'd Pete Podgorski, Chicago, at 2:04 of the third round, welters.

Danny Parker, Philadelphia, lightweight, made his pro debut by stopping John Bell, Des Moines, Iowa, who did not answer the bell for round three.

Promoters—Top Rank, Inc., Dexter Tite and Fred Berns.
Matchmaker—Pete Susens.
Attendance—2,700 (est.). Gross—$30,000 (est.).
ESPN.
(09-07-83)

GARY L. MERRITT

MICHIGAN

__RUSSELLVILLE—Ballroom—Arnie Wells, 140, Davison, Michigan, TKO'd Walter Cowans, Jr., 139, Milwaukee, at 1:55 of the first round in the scheduled 10-round main event. Cowans was decked twice. Wells is now 14-3

UNITED STATES RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
1. Greg Page (Kentucky)
2. Tim Witherspoon (Pennsylvania)
3. Pinklon Thomas (Pennsylvania)
4. Mike Weaver (California)
5. Michael Dokes (Kentucky)
6. John Tate (Tennessee)
7. David Bey (Pennsylvania)
8. Randall (Tex) Cobb (Texas)
9. James Broad (New Jersey)
10. Tony Tubbs (Ohio)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
1. Dwight Qawi (New Jersey)
2. Eddie Mustafa Muhammad (New Jersey)
3. Eddie Davis (New York)
4. Willie Edwards (Michigan)
5. John Davis (New York)
6. Pete McIntyre (California)
7. Oscar Rivadeneyra (New Jersey)
8. Marvin Johnson (Indiana)
9. Richie Kates (New Jersey)
10. James Salerno (Florida)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
1. James Kinchen (California)
2. James Shuler (Pennsylvania)
3. Dwight Davison (Michigan)
4. Frank Fletcher (Pennsylvania)
5. Curtis Parker (Pennsylvania)
6. Bobby Czyz (New Jersey)
7. Mark Holmes (Pennsylvania)
8. Alex Ramos (New York)
9. Murray Sutherland (Michigan)
10. Jeff Stoudemire (California)

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
1. Wilfred Benitez (Puerto Rico)
2. Mike McCallum (New York)
3. David Braxton (Michigan)
4. David Moore (New York)
5. James Green (New Jersey)
6. Fred Hutchings (California)
7. Earl Hargrove (Pennsylvania)
8. Mark Medal (New Jersey)
9. Sean Mannion (Massachusetts)
10. Mario Maldonado (New Jersey)

WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Marlon Starling (Connecticut)
2. Milton Guest (New York)
3. Simon Brown (Washington, D.C.)
4. Tommy Ayers (Ohio)
5. Maurice Blocker (Washington, D.C.)
6. Pedro Vilella (New York)
7. Robert Rucker (New York)
8. Roger Stafford (Pennsylvania)
9. Pablo Baez (California)
10. Lupe Aquino (California)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Johnny Bumphus (New Jersey)
2. Ronnie Shields (Texas)
3. Billy Costello (New York)
4. Saoul Mamby (New York)
5. Leroy Haley (Nevada)
6. Gene Hatcher (Texas)
7. Harry Arroyo (Ohio)
8. Reyes Cruz (New Jersey)
9. Alfredo Escalera (Puerto Rico)
10. Steve Hearon (Texas)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Howard Davis, Jr. (New York)
2. Tyrone Crawley (Pennsylvania)
3. Robin Blake (Texas)
4. Livingstone Bramble (New Jersey)
5. Roberto Elizondo (Texas)
6. Alvin Hayes (Michigan)
7. Charlie Brown (New Jersey)
8. Melvin Paul (Louisiana)
9. Ken Bogner (New Jersey)
10. Tony Baltazar (California)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Bobby Chacon (California)
2. Rocky Lockridge (New Jersey)
3. Rafael Solis (Puerto Rico)
4. Refugio Rojas (California)
5. Rolando Navarrete (Hawaii)
6. Samuel Serrano (Puerto Rico)
7. Irving Mitchell (California)
8. Kelvin Lampkin (California)
9. Guy Villegas (Oregon)
10. Tyrone Jackson (New York)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
1. Wilfredo Gomez (Puerto Rico)
2. Rocky Lockridge (New Jersey)
3. Bernard Taylor (Tennessee)
4. Jose Caba (California)
5. Jackie Beard (Michigan)
6. Johnny de la Rosa (Florida)
7. Richard Savage (Louisiana)
8. Gerald Hayes (New Jersey)
9. Ruben Castillo (California)
10. Paul DeVorce (New York)

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
1. Mike Ayala (New York)
2. Juan (Kid) Meza (California)
3. Oscar Muniz (California)
4. Victor Callejas (Puerto Rico)
5. Alberto Mercado (Puerto Rico)
6. Vince Christian (Pennsylvania)
7. Lenny Valdez (Nevada)
8. Pascual Aranda (Texas)
9. Jose Parilla (Puerto Rico)
10. Carmelo Negron (New York)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
1. Oscar Muniz (California)
2. Gaby Canizales (Texas)
3. Richard Sandoval (California)
4. Harold Petty (Texas)
5. Freddie Jackson (Texas)
6. James Pipps (Texas)
7. Victor Callejas (Puerto Rico)
8. James Manning (Oregon)
9. George Garcia (California)
10. Ricardo Varela (California)

FLYWEIGHTS
1. Joey Olivo (California)
2. Alonso Gonzales (California)
3. Jerome Coffee (Tennessee)
4. Mario Savala (California)
5. Willie Jensen (Nevada)
6. Orlando Maldonado (Puerto Rico)
7. Henry Brent (New York)
8. Cipriano Arreola (California)
9. Rafael Caban (Puerto Rico)
10. Armando Laredo (Texas)

Veteran Willie McIntosh, 131, Grand Rapids, stopped the favored Steve Mitchell, 136, Girrard, Ohio, on cuts at 1:30 of the third. McIntosh is now 11-13-2. Mitchell is 7-2.

Dave (The Kid) Guerra, 135½, Flint, stopped Roy Hunley, 137, Milwaukee, at 1:39 of the third. Guerra is now 2-3.

Calvin (Ironman) Sims, 170, Flint, outpointed Neal Singleton, 174, Indianapolis, four. Sims is now 2-0. Singleton is 1-1.

Rick Kimball, 156, Burton, Michigan, made his pro debut by outpointing Woody Edward, 152, Milwaukee, four.

Wes (Side) Smith, 235, Detroit, made his pro debut by outscoring Vay Bridges, 213, Flint, four. Bridges is now 1-1.

Vernon (Bed News) Bridges, outscored Robert Crawford, 185, Muskegon. Bridges is now 3-6-1. It was Crawford's first pro bout.

Referees—Bob Watson, Dale Grable.
Judges—Rose Grable, Pete Young, Johnny Chema.
D-Ring Productions.
Matchmaker—Arnie Wells, Sr.
Attendance—561.
(09-22-83)

__KALAMAZOO—Hackett High School—The fans attending this five-bout card, the second in a series of programs put on by Jim Hinkle Promotions, found themselves treated to some good action contests.

Local favorite Curtis (Coffee Man) Isaac, 195, lost a split decision to Al (Frack Attack) Fracker, 175, formerly of Detroit but now a lieutenant in the U.S. Army and stationed at Ft. Bragg, N.C., 10. Scoring: referee Max Harnish, 96-93, Issac; judge Robert Bushouse, 98-96, Fracker; judge Ernie Downing, 98-85, Fracker. *The Ring* had it 96-95, Issac. Fracker is now 13-3. Issac is 9-3.

Terry Holmes, 162, Kalamazoo, halted Wedibahd Judah, also 162, Chicago, at 1:05 of the first round with some vicious body punches. Holmes is now 10-0.

Ronnie Byrd, 124½, Flint, stopped Lester Young, 131, Chicago, with a left hook at 1:20 of the second. Byrd is now 4-0. It was the pro debut of Young.

Older brother Joe Byrd, Jr., coasted to a six-round verdict over Bill Hollis, 175, Pontiac after infuring his right hand early in the contest. Byrd is now 9-3.

Troy Watson, 160, Muskegon Heights, TKO'd debuting Terry Bonney, 153, Chicago, at 2:15 of the third round. Watson is now 3-0.

Referee—Max Harnish.
Judges—Robert Bushouse, Pat McGuire, Ernie Downing.
Timekeeper—Tony Russo.
Ring Announcer—Sam Hooks.
Jim Hinkle Promotions.
Matchmaker—Jennifer Issac.
Attendance—700 (estimated).
(09-24-83)

__OAK PARK—Sheraton Southfield Ballroom—This was the first in a series on monthly cards that will be put on here by Motor City Professional Boxing. Young local talent will be highlighted.

Wayne (Troubleman) Powell, 151½, out of the Motor City stable, drew with Kronk's Donald Bowers, 154½, in a 10-rounder for the vacant Michigan State junior middleweight title. Scoring: judge Chip Adey, 99-91, Powell; judges Lebow and McCallum, both 95-95. Everyone at ringside scored the bout for Powell, and even Kronk manager Emanuel Steward said he felt that it was 7-3 in favor of the Motor City man. Powell is now 15-0-1. Bowers is 16-0-1. One heck of a fight.

Kronk heavyweight Tony Anthony, 220, went to 14-1 with a unanimous decision over James Arnett Churn, 191, Galesburg, Illinois, eight.

Errol Christie, 169, London (now fighting for Kronk), TKO'd Fred Reed, 170, Chicago, in the third. Reed was knocked down twice.

Tim Bullock, 168, Detroit, won a unanimous decision over Billy Giles, 166, Chicago, four. Bullock, who dropped Giles in the first, second, and fourth sessions, is now 3-1.

Kali Muhammad, 125, Detroit, outscored Anthony Henry, 128, four rounds, in a real slugfest. Muhammad is now 5-1. Henry is 3-3.

Referees—Bob Watson, Tom Briscoe.
Judges—Chip Acey, Jim Hoomian, John Lebow, McCallum.
Ring Announcer—Jim Ingram.
Motor City Professional Boxing.
Matchmaker—Ross Barber.
Attendance—capacity.
(09-28-83)

DAVE HARTOON

NEW JERSEY

__ATLANTIC CITY—Tropicana—Scratch your head time again. How can people see a fight so differently? Jimmy Paul would like to know, among others. Paul, 136½, Detroit, was undefeated at 17-0 (16 by KO) and the USBA lightweight champ. He came to town for a keep-busy payday. Well, he got to keep his pay (and title) but they took his win away.

Darryll Tyson, 134½, Wash., D.C., the decided underdog, came away with a 10-round split decision win in what one newspaperman said, "was arguably the worst verdict ever issued here." He had it 6-3-1 for Paul. *The Ring* tabbed Paul the winner at 7-2-1. The official scores were: John Stewart, 5-4-1, Tyson, Milo Savage, 6-3-1, Paul, Tony Orlando, 7-1-2, Tyson.

Paul boxed unemotionally in rounds one and two and got a tongue lashing for it from cornerman Emanual Steward. Meanwhile, Tyson, far less experienced or polished, was a pest throughout. A pest, yes—a winner, no. Moving Paul backward for the most part, Tyson, however, was waging a clear case of the ineffective aggressor.

Paul was being backed up, but was doing just fine, thank you. Save for the fifth round. That is when Tyson stunned him with a right. While he had him against the ropes, Tyson couldn't find the finisher, and ref Zack Clayton pulled them apart. With that, Paul seemed to be someplace else as he wandered off to a corner—believing it was his, even though the round had not ended.

Clayton might have saved Paul from being knocked out when he ran over and checked out Paul and let the bout go on. Some said that the actions of the ref impeded Tyson from following up on his big advantage.

Nevertheless, Tyson for all his "busy-ness", was never able to duplicate that moment. Paul, who later admitted to being somewhat out of shape, fought smartly in fending off the would-be assaults of his foe. Mind you, Darryll was there to win, not fall down, but he just didn't have the wherewithal to nullify the countering effectiveness of Paul.

Mike Croley, 188¾, Verona, Ohio, stopped debuting John Binns, 199¼, Waldorf, Md., at 1:04 of round three. The ref was Joe O'Neil in this scheduled four.

In another four, Reggie Boyer, 154¼, Phila., Pa., went to 5-0 with a second round TKO (1:49) over Ra'Sean (Kenneth) Parker, 153½, PHila., Pa. Parker suffered a badly gashed lower lip. The ref was Zack Clayton.

Sam Flores, 134¾, from Drayton Plains, Mich., but co-billed out of Detroit (Kronk Gym), won a six-round majority decision over Rodrick Thompson, 138¼, Spartanburg, S.C. Round four was taken from Flores for low blows in this fine scrap refereed by Joe O'Neil.

In another excellent action bout scheduled for six, Jocko King, 131, Phila., Pa., at 2:13 of round four. Ref was Zack Clayton.

Ernest Jackson, 155½, Phila., Pa. won a six round unanimous decision over Jerome Johnson, 159, Jackson, N.J. Johnson was floored in round one by a grazing right hand. Ref was Joe O'Neil.

Promoter—Elbaum & Menas
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson
Ring Announcer—Ed Derian
(10-11-83)

__ATLANTIC CITY—Resorts International Hotel-Casino—Just another long night at the fights as TV starts it late and drags it out. All must bend to the mighty screen.

In the main-event, Kenny Whetstone, 160¼, Homestead, Fla., won a ten round split decision over the previously undefeated (now 20-1) Carlos Tite, 160½, Hammond, Indiana. The scores were: Phil Newman, 5-4-1, Whetstone; Tony Castellano, 6-4, Whetstone; Lawrence Wallace, 6-3-1, Tite. *The Ring* agreed with Wallace.

Whetstone started strong, flooring Tite with a long left hook in round one. Carlos backed off after that, enabling Whetstone to get the second round on all three cards as well. Slowly, Tite got back into the thick of things and he received all three votes for round five. Carlos managed to bring it on home by easily winning rounds nine and 10—putting Kenny down in the process during the last round—but falling just short on two cards at the finish.

In a crowd pleasing action packed semi, Harry Arroyo, 135, of Youngstown, Ohio (now 22-0) withstood an early rounds assault by Danny Avery, 135, Brockton, Mass., to score a knockout at 0:42 of round nine. The southpaw Avery started to wear down just about the time he suffered a cut over his left eye in round five. Avery was decked by a left hook. At the end of eight rounds, the cards read 5-3 and 4-3-1 for Arroyo and 4-3-1 for Avery (the same score as *The Ring*). There was no doubt, however, that Arroyo was in charge going into the ninth round.

In a scheduled eight, Edwin Curet, 138, Brockton, Mass., stopped Trevor Evelyn, 136½, Brooklyn, at 1:11 of the fifth. Evelyn was never in the fight, going down twice in the first and once in round two. He was up against the ropes and not punching back when the ref stopped it.

In an opening four-rounder, southpaw loser Roberg Thomas, 159¼, Philadelphia, should have gotten one of his rare wins but had to settle for a majority draw (Thomas ahead on one card, the other two had it all even) with Brown Sugar (now 4-0-2), 162, Newark, N.J.

In a closing four, Gary Lightbourne, 208, N.Y.C. went to 3-0 with a one knockdown stoppage win at 2:50 of the first round over Ernie Singleton, 224½, Willingboro, N.J.

Referees—Frank Cappuccino worked the Curet-Evelyn and the main-event. Tony Perez had the Thomas-Sugar, Arroyo-Avery, and Lightbourne-Singleton bouts.

Promoter—Top Rank
Ring Announcer—Mike Buffer
Timekeeper—Roy Johnson
(10-20-83)

__ATLANTIC CITY—Sands Hotel-Casino—Pinklon Thomas is cautious to a fault, and that may well be his fault in future bouts of significance. It cost him a win over Coetzee last January. It has permeated all his wins in 1983, the last being a 30-minute workout against the docile Leroy Boone, 235½, Virginia Beach, Va. Thomas, out of Philadelphia, came in at 214¼ and came out with a 10-round unanimous decision. Big deal. Pinklon probably could have sent the folks down to the gambling tables a lot earlier when he decked Boone in round one with a left hook. Too easy, and besides, Thomas was not wearing his usual pink trunks.

For the rest of the "fight," he employed a steady jab and fairly good lateral movement to keep Boone, who should really be known as "The Survivor", at bay. This, of course, was not a difficult task. The only round Boone won on all three cards was the sixth. Scores were: Tommy Kaczmarek and Rudy Battle, both 7-2-1 William Kostrub, 9-1.

In a semi 10—actually taking place after the main-event—Kevin "The Bo" Perry, 155, Philadelphia, Pa., won a unanimous verdict over Jake Torrence, 153¾, Chicago, Ill. After charging out for his usual quick kill, Perry turned boxer and took home scores of 9-1 from Battle, 6-3-1 from Kaczmarek, and 7-3 from Kostrub.

In an opening eight, Tyrone (Butterfly) Trice, 143, Detroit (Kronk Gym) Mich., stopped Victor (Flash) Gordon, 141½, Hillside, N.J., at 2:59 of round four. This was a fine crisp boxer-puncher affair. With quick hands and sharp combinations, these two came to fight. Gordon looked to be regaining control of the bout in the fourth but Trice weathered the storm and put Gordon "out" on the ropes with the ref jumping in to stop it as the bell rang—a call well made.

Three six rounders filled out the card. Kelvin Kelly, 177, Phila., got his second decision win over Dave Royster, 173¼, Pottstown, Pa., with a split nod that should have been unanimous. Scores were: Kostrub, 4-2, Kelly; Kaczmarek, 5-0-1, Kelly; Battle, 3-2-1, Royster. *The Ring* had it 5-1 for Kelly. Give Royster his due; he did come off the canvas twice in round one.

Vinny Pazienza, 135¼, Cranston, R.I., continues to be pampered beyond reason as he went to 8-0—all kayoes—with one-punch (left hook to the body) knockout of Robert Stevenson,

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Trevor Berbick (Halifax)
1. Gord Racette (Nanaimo)
2. Ken Lakusta (Edmonton)
3. Razor Ruddock (Toronto)
4. Conroy Nelson (Ottawa)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Alex Hilton (Montreal)
2. Wayne Caplette (Winnipeg)
3. Michael Olajide, Jr. (Vancouver)
4. Ralph Hollett (Halifax)
5. Deano Clavet (LaSalle)
6. Danny Vandal (Winnipeg)
7. John Griffin (Toronto)
8. Dean Ferguson (Windsor)
9. Gerry (Mack Truck) Reddick (Edmonton)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Remo DiCarlo (Toronto)
1. Nick Furlano (Toronto)
2. Pierre Huneault (Hull)
3. Gaetan Hart (Buckingham)
4. John Summerhays (Brantford)
5. Felix Vanderpool (Kitchener)
6. Kenny Smith (Windsor)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Don LaLonde (Winnipeg)
1. Don Hurtle (Toronto)
2. Eddie Melo (Toronto)
3. Jimmy Gradson (Toronto)
4. Roddie MacDonald (Toronto)
5. Wes (Indian) Rowe (Brantford)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Mario Cusson (Montreal)
1. Dave Hilton (Montreal)
2. Donnie Poole (Toronto)
3. David Dusang (Winnipeg)
4. Denis Sigouin (Hull)
5. Laurie Mann (Prince George)
6. Matthew Hilton (Montreal)
7. LeRoy Pink (Toronto)
8. Sugar Marsh (Toronto)
9. John Herbert (Vancouver)
10. Clint Harris (Windsor)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Tony Salvatore (Montreal)
1. Nedrae Simmons (Toronto)
2. Leonard Pinnock (Montreal)

133¼, Philadelphia. The time was 1:45 of the first. Stevenson, billed as 1-4, was more like 0-6-1 going in. After the bout, he was taken by stretcher to the hospital; possible broken ribs, but he was examined and released that night.

Keith Vining, 177½, Detroit (Kronk Gym) Mich., survived a first round knockdown to stop Blufort Spencer, 180¼, Richmond, Va., at 2:10 of round two. Spencer was dropped three times in that round, the last being a canvas smasher from a left hook; no count was given.

Referees—Tony Orlando worked the Treice, Pazienza, and Perry wins; Vinnie Rainone handled the others.

Promoters—Main Event (Dan Duva), J. Russell Peltz.

Ring Announcer—Ed Derian.

Timekeeper—Roy Johnson.

(10-27-83)

JACK OBERMAYER

NEW YORK

ROCHESTER—Henrietta Dome Arena—Pablo DeJesus, 160, Rochester, came off the canvas in the 10th and final round to stop game Odell Leonard, 163, Palmer Park, Md., at 2:52 of the session. Frank Adams, referee.

DeJesus, an excellent prospect, is now 8-0. He's handled by Tony Graziano.

Dwight Williams, 150, Syracuse, won a split decision over Frankie Minigan, 146, Rocheste, six. Williams, handled by the veteran Billy Harris, is now 3-0.

Matt Farrago, 155¼, Syracuse, won a hard fought decision over Kevin Daigle, 148¾, Glens Falls, New York, six. Farrago, a Cortland College student guided by Ray Rinaldi, is also 3-0.

Jim Giambelluca, 134, Buffalo, and Frank Mackey, 133½, Troy, New York, drew, six.

Ralph Smiley, 158, Ithaca, New York, halted Larry Wilkens, 159, Albany, in the second round of their scheduled six. Smiley is now 4-0.

Mike Robinson, 142, Ithaca, TKO'd Jim Wisniewski, 145, Buffalo, in the third round of a scheduled four. Robinson is now 2-0. Smiley and Robinson are both handled by Chat Cashman.

Referees—Frank Adams, Larry White.

Judges—Don Ackerman, Don Nodecker, Al Parry.

Timekeeper—Bob Olsen.

Ring Announcer—Dick Tobin.

Rinside Physicians—Armand Cincotta, Frank Folt.

Canastota Boxing Club.

Attendance—1,000 (Est.).

(11-05-83)

JIM LEO

__NEW YORK CITY—Felt Forum—Dennis Cruz, 130½, New York, a southpaw, knocked out Fernando Ortiz, 130, Dominican Republic, with a right hook to the jaw in 1:09 of the sixth round in the sceduled 10-round main event. John LoBianco, referee. Cruz is now 17-1 with 14 kayoes. Ortiz is 12-9-2 with two knockouts.

Troy Darrell, 153, New Rochelle, New York, TKO'd Ronald Thermidor, 151, Haiti, at 2:53 of the second in a scheduled eight-rounder. Referee Joe Santarpia intervened after Ronald had been floored earlier in the session.

Andy Schott, 161, Brooklyn, TKO'd Robert Rivers, also 161, New York, at 1:24 of the second in a scheduled six-rounder. Nick Drake, referee.

Junior Velez, 134, New York, TKO'd Robert Matos, 136, New York, at 1:58 of the third round in their scheduled six. John LoBianco, referee.

Joey Caraballo, 130½, New York, won a unanimous decision over Jose (Cheo) Ortiz, 131, New York, six. Scoring: judge Carol Castellano, 4-1-1; judges Leo Dazzo and Harold Valan, both 5-1. Joe Santarpia, referee.

Kenny Davis, 140, Hempstead, New York, won a unanimous (all cards 4-0) decision over Stan McDougal, 137, Philadelphia, four. Carl Schroeder, referee.

Felix Santiago, 136½, New York, TKO'd Junnie Johnson, 135, New York, at 1:36 of the first round in the scheduled four-round opener. Nick Drake, referee.

Timekeeper—Fred Abbatiello.

Round Girl—Angel Leuis.

(11-04-83)

__NEW YORK CITY—Madison Square Garden—Mark Medal, 153, Jersey City, scored the biggest win of his still young career with a unanimous decision over world ranked welter Kevin Howard, also 153, Philadelphia, in the 10-round main event of a live show preceding the Hagler-Duran closed circuit telecast.

Medal dominated the early going with an assortment of punches that seemed to meet Howard at every angle. Kevin took most of the later sessions with an effective body attack. Scoring: Harold Lederman and Tony Castellano, both 6-3-1; Billy Graham, a highly questionable 8-1-1 score. The seventh round was taken from Medal, who upped his record to 21-1 with 19 kayoes. Howard is 19-14-1 with 10 knockouts. Tony Perez, referee.

Victor Acosta, 130½, New York, TKO'd Raul Albaladejo, 127, Brooklyn, at the end of seven in a scheduled eight-rounder. Vincent Rainone, referee.

Arthur Anthony Holt, 161, Brooklyn, TKO'd Jesus Munoz, 158½, San Juan, P.R., at 2:14 of the first round in a scheduled six. Vincent Rainone, referee.

Ray Hamilton, 155½, New York, knocked out Manny Ortega, 159½, with a right uppercut in 2:30 of round one in a scheduled four refereed by Rainone.

Mike Dominguez, 135½, New York, won a unanimous (Castellano and Graham, both 4-0; Lederman, 3-1) decision over Freddie Roberts, 131½, New York, four. Tony Perez, referee.

Timekeeper—Fred Abbateillo.

(11-10-83)

HERBERT G. GOLDMAN

PENNSYLVANIA

__PHILADELPHIA—Spectrum—A live card accompanied the close circuit showing of the Marvelous Marvin Hagler-Roberto Duran match. The bouts were tailored to provide wins for the house fighters and, for the most part, did exactly that.

Joe Thomas, 245, Trooper, Pa., kayoed Robert Obey, 186, Boomer Hill, W. Va., at the end of the first round in a scheduled 10. This was a complete mismatch. Thomas upped his record to 13-0-1 (11 knockouts) with a single right to the chin. Referee, Tom Reed.

Undefeated Frank Montgomery, 145, won a unanimous decision over Garland Wright, 142½, Scranton, eight. Referee, Bob Polis.

Rich Schoenberger, 212, Norristown, Pa., kayoed Wylie Jones, 200, Pittsburgh, in 2:41 of the first round in a scheduled six. Referee, Reed.

Steve Lttle, 136, Phila., kayoed Juan Marquez, 136, Warminster, Pa., with a clean right to the jaw. Marquez went down hard and was counted out by referee Polis at 1:16 of the first round in the scheduled six.

Edwin (E.T.) Thomas, 136, Phila., TKO'd Joe (Sugar) Hill, 132, Coatsville, Pa., at 0:56 of the second round in a scheduled four. Referee, Reed.

Charlie Johnson, 147¼, Phila., won a majority decision over Greg Robinson, 143, Phila., four. Referee, Polis.

Judges—Carol Polis, Eddie Woods.

Timekeeper—J.P. Mina.

Promoter—Joe Hand.

Attendance—8,500.

(11-10-83)

NIGEL COLLINS

CANADA

NOVA SCOTIA

__HALIFAX—Forum—Rick Anderson, 144, Halifax, won a unanimous decision over Jose Vera, 145, Bridgeport, Conn., eight. The scores were 79-74, 79-71, and 79-73. Anderson is now 7-0.

Tim Mason, 148, New Waterford, halted Ray Rivera, 144, Puerto Rico, at 1:12 of the third session in a scheduled eight. Mason was down twice.

Sonny Wicks, 134, Dartmouth, won a unanimous decision over Ron Perkins, 138, Springfield, Mass., six. Scores were 59-55 (twice) and 60-54.

Cedric Parsons, 188, Halifax, kayoed Willie Barnes, 178, Boston, in 1:59 of the fifth round in a scheduled six.

Ernie Bennett, 158, Boston, Mass., won a split duke over Victor King, 159, Bridgeport, Conn., in the opening four. The scores were 39-37 and 39-38, Bennett; 40-39, King.

Referees—Hubert Earle, Ed Gaudet.

Judges—Ron Bryden, Stu Isenor, Foster MacNeil.

Ring Announcer—Pat Connelly.

Ringside Physician—Joe Kentwell.

East Coast Boxing Promotions.

Attendance—1,300 (estimated).

(09-13-83)

ROY SPRINGETT

MEXICO

BAJA CALIFORNIA

__TIJUANA-Antonio de la Paz, 125, halted Maximo Ballesteros, also 125, in three. Ramon Marchena, 125, stopped Miguel Angel Hernandez, also 125, in six. Fidencio Cabreros, 134, knocked out Ramon (Manlio) Mandoza, 135, in three.
(09-12-83)

__TIJUANA-Gerardo Derbez, 147, kayoed Jose Luis Millan, also 147, in two. Juan Jimenez, 123, outpointed Cesar Cepeda, 125, 10.
(09-26-83)

__ENSENADE-Rafael (Caballo) Corona, 158, retained his Mexican middleweight title by knocking out Antonio Leyva, 160, in the fourth.
(10-01-83)

COAHUILA

__MONCLOVA-Carlos (Calaca) Segura, 112, stopped Alfredo (Cachorro) Hernandez, also 112, in the rirst round. Miguel (Torito) Medina, 118, outpointed Joel (Chato) Segura, 116, 10. Moises (Popurri) Mendez, 147, kayoed Toro Medina, 145, in the fourth.
(09-24-83)

DURANGO

__DURANGO-Primo Rojas, 136, kayoed Javier (Memin) Barcenas, also 136, in the sixth round. Arturo Castillo, 125, polished off Mario Faz, also 125, in three. Marcelo Vargas, 140, halted Santiago (Peludo) Soto, 142, in two. Jesus (Puma) Quinones, 135, TKO'd Jorge Zarco, also 135, in three.
(09-02-83)

__DURANGO-Primo Rojas, 135, TKO'd Jose Luis Castillo, 136, in five.
(09-30-83)

ESTADO DE MEXICO

__NAUCALPAN-Hilario Duran, 108, halted Gilberto Sosa, also 108, in two. Eloy Ortega, 135, knocked out Jaime Lara, 136, in one. Domingo Escalante, 112, and Humberto Garcia, 113, drew, four.
(10-07-83)

FEDERAL DISTRICT

__MEXICO CITY-Fidel Martinex, 117, TKO'd Antonio Gallegos, 118, in eight. Paco Ortiz, 118, TKO'd Ricardo Gonzalez, 117, in three. Jaime Martinez, 149, outscored Martin Chavez, 147, six. Oscar Ortiz, 115, TKO'd Victor Rabanales, also 115, in three. Arturo Cardenas, 136, TKO'd Pedro Rosas, 137, in one.
(09-14-83)

__MEXICO CITY-Efren Pinto, 108, outscored Ricardo Sosa, also 108,10. Juan Garcia, 135, TKO'd Memo Miranda, 134, in one. Victor Martinez, 134, TKO'd Ricardo Maldonado, 135, in six. Hugo Anguiano, 125, TKO'd Jose Luis Garrido, also 125, in two. Juan Coyote, 117, outscored Alejandro Aguirre, 118, four.
(09-17-83)

__MEXICO CITY-Eduardo Torres, 118, TKO'd Ramon Jimenez, also 118, in two. Armando Velazco, 113, TKO'd Ricardo Aguilar, 112, in two. Mario Marin, 107, outpointed Roberto Cardoza, 108, eight. Francisco Ortega, 107, outscored Candido Corona, also 107, four. Raymundo Aquino, 108, outpointed Andres Santana, 109, four.
(09-21-83)

__MEXICO CITY-Rodolfo (Colorina) Ortega, 117, and Diego Avila, 118, drew, 10. Carlos Linares, 122, stopped Eugenio Morgan, 123, in six. Rodolfo Bata, 115, TKO'd Angel Asprilla, also 115, in three. Gregorio Narciso, 125, and Jose Cruz, 124, drew, six. Vincente Velazco, 125, TKO'd Alejandro Soto, 126, in one.
(09-24-83)

__MEXICO CITY-Mario Olmedo, 147, outscored Luciano Fernandez, 148,10. Camilo Ortiz, 112, kayoed Abraham Barrientos, 111, in four. Sergio Moreno, 108, TKO'd Reynaldo Garcia, 109, in eight. Javier Varela, 136, outscored Ricuarte Ramos, 135, Panama, six. Julio Garcia, 118, iced Felix Garcia, 117, in the first.
(10-1-83)

__MEXICO CITY-Abel Cordoba, 162, knocked out Jose Mireles, 159, in three. Jose Mendez, 135, TKO'd Mucio Nava, also 135, in four. Juan Estrada, 145, TKO'd Luis Loya, 147, in two. Martin Reyes, 108, TKO'd Jaime Tenopala, 109, in two. Mauricio Ferrer, 117, TKO'd Mario Romero, also 117, in two.
(10-05-83)

__MEXICO CITY-Felix Rodriguez, 125, Panama, won by a disqualification over Cenobio Nicolas, also 125, in nine. Jose Pineda, 118, TKO'd David Munoz, 117, in four. Salvador Zamora, 121, TKO'd Ruben Rivera, also 121, in two. Bruno Rabanales, 118, knocked out Alejandro Vega, also 118, in seven. Jose Vizcaya, 118, and Jorge Romero, 119, drew, four.
(10-08-83)

__MEXICO CITY-Javier Alonso, 108, TKO'd Mauro Diaz, 110, in the 10th and final round. Javier Torres, 118, won by a disqualification over Nino Alonso, 117, in four. Nicolas Reyes, 126, halted Ruben Lira, 125, in four. Miguel Zamora, 117, TKO'd Oscar Ortiz, also 117, in four. Francisco Zamora, 135, won by a disqualification over Eleuterio Vargas, 136, in two.
(10-12-83)

__MEXICO CITY-Arturo Mujica, 113, TKO'd Antonio (Chino) Benitez, 112, in five. Ignacio Ramirez, 109, TKO'd Alfredo Chale,

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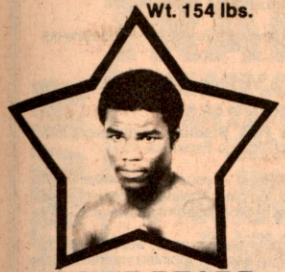

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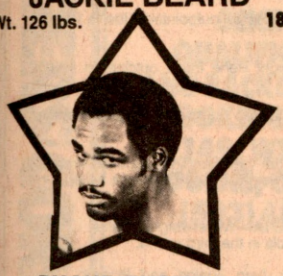

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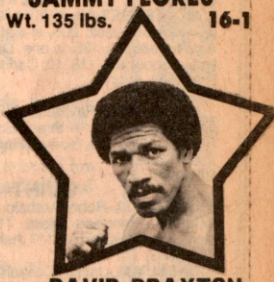

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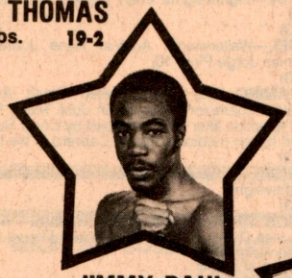

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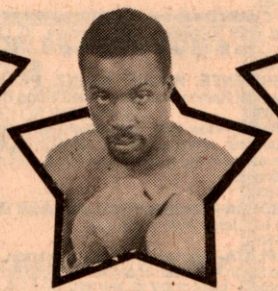

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108, in eight. Carlos Linares, 121, TKO'd Juan de la Cruz, 122, in two. Valentin Flores, 111, TKO'd Arturo Mendoza, also 111, in four. Vicente Velazco, 125, TKO'd Marcelo Nino, also 125, in one. (10-07-83)

GUERRERO

__ACAPULCO-Jaime Islas, 120, won by a disqualification over Juan de la Cruz, 121, in two. Panchito Hernandez, 117, TKO'd Adrian Cortez, also 117, in six. Rafael Mayoral, 125, iced Javier Luna, also 125, in one. (09-09-83)

__ACAPULCO-Juan Manuel Rios, 108, TKO'd Tomas Cuellar, 109, in five. Felipe (Tigre) Fernandez, 118, TKO'd Julio (Rubia) Avendano, also 118, in four. Antonio Palomares, 111, and Goyo Zamora, 112, drew, eight. Brigido Rios, 110, and Alejo Martinez, also 110, drew, four. (09-16-83)

__ACAPULCO-Candelario (Changuito) Carmona, 110, kayoed Alfonso Rivera, also 110, in three. Agustin Cardenas, 111, TKO'd Jesus (Zurdo) Alvarado, 113, in four. Mauricio Maldonado, 117, knocked out Malaquies Gonzalez, 118, in seven. (09-23-83)

__ACAPULCO-Nicolas Herrera, 125, TKO'd Jesus Hernandez, also 125, in four. Enrique Hernandez, 119, outpointed Juan Mendoza, also 119, eight. (09-30-83)

__CIUDAD ALTAMIRANO-Felipe (Tigre) Fernandez, 118, knocked out Martin Juarez, 117, in four. Genaro Enriquez, 120, halted Juan Rodriguez, 119, in four. (10-05-83)

__ACAPULCO-Felipe Rodriguez, won a technical decision over Feliciano Soto, also 135, in six. Chucho Ramirez, 135, stopped Chino Montes, 134, in one. (10-07-83)

JALISCO

__JALISCO-Jose Luis Castillo, 135, outpointed Juan Alonso Villa, 134, 10. (09-02-83)

MORELOS

__CUERNAVACA-Nacho (Tigre) Perdomo, 121, stopped Marcos Moctezuma, 123, in seven. (09-23-83)

NUEVE LEON

__MONTERREY-Arturo (King Kong) Diaz, 207, TKO'd Jose Luis (Laredo) Gonzalez, 205, in eight. Roberto Campos, 136, halted Arturo Gallegos, 135, in one. Danny Reyes, 118, outscored Martin Gallegos, also 118, 10. Carlos Nava, 132, stopped David Martinez, 131, in one. (09-30-83)

__MONTERREY-Raymundo (Battling) Torres II, 149, kayoed Jesus Garza, 150, in three. Gustavo Martinez, 119, iced Jorge Rocha, 118, in one. Ricardo Flores, 134, TKO'd David Rubaldino, 135, in one. (10-14-83)

QUINTANA ROO

__CHETUMAL-Rober Arebalo, 111, stopped Mario Zapata, 113, in seven. Francisco Tolosa, 115, outscored Kid Tachero, 116, eight. Felipe Gutierrez, 117, halted Pascual Turriza, 119, in five. (09-23-83)

__CHETUMAL-Javier (Candelita) Varguez, 108, outpointed Julio Cesar, 107, 10. Arturo (Kimbilia) May, 125, kayoed Julio Anguilar, also 125, in five. David Aznar, 115, knocked out Celestino Hernandez, 114, in one. Luis Aguilar, 145, kayoed Chamaco Maravilla, 146, in four. Francisco Kam, 117, won by a disqualification over Jose (Lobo) Hertas, also 117, in three. (09-30-83)

SAN LUIS POTOSI

__TAMUIN-Miguel Angel Domiguez, 111, kayoed Miguel Cruz, also 111, in three. Arturo Tovar, 108, stopped Bolero Escalera, 109, in four. Antonio (Batoto) Alvarez, 112, halted Manuel Mendoza, 111, in two. Donaciano Escamilla, 115, knocked out Roberto Romero, also 115, in four. (09-16-83)

__MATEHUALA-Ricky Davis, 145, Panama, kayoed Toro Silva, 146, in four. (09-18-83)

SINALOA

CULIACAN-"Wary" Beltran, 118, outpointed Jorge de Jesus, 119, 10. Rodolfo Chavez, 134, kayoed Victor Castillo, 135, in seven. (09-30-83)

__CULIACAN-Sergio Sanchez, 149, stopped Romeo Isunza, 148, in five. (09-23-83)

SONORA

__NAVOJOA-Arturo (Cuyito) Hernandez, 125, and Sergio (Chocolate) Zambrano, also 125, drew, 10. Javier (Bobby) Dominguez, 125, and Rafael (Gato) Toledo, also 125, drew, 10. (09-10-83)

__GUYAMAS-Jose Luis Ramirez, 135, kayoed Jose Gallardo, also 135, in two. (10-07-83)

__NAVOJOA-Martin (Camaron) Castro, 124, outscored Joaquin Acuna, 126, 10. Ladislao Mijangos, 182, TKO'd Nicolas (Turco) Leyva, 185, in seven. (10-02-83)

TAMULIPAS

__REYNOSA—Roman Nunez, 135, outscored Rafael (Martillo) Duran, also 135, 10. (09-09-83)

__REYNOSA-Roque (Rocky) Montoya, 135, outscored Ricardo (Leoncito) Peralta, also 135, 12, to win the Mexican lightweight title. Gaspar Pool, 135, TKO'd Chucho de la Cruz, also 135, in one. (10-07-83)

VERACRUZ

__POZA RICA-Jose Luis (Frijol) Madrid, 151, knocked out Miguel Munoz, 152, in one. Pipino Perez, 132, kayoed Blas Perez, 131, in one. Porfirio Jonjitud, 121, knocked out Constantino Sanchez, 120. (09-30-83)

YUCATAN

__MERIDA-Babe Luis, 108, TKO'd Pedro Moreno, 109, in eight. Luis (Puma) Fuente, 125, TKO'd Marco Figueroa, 126, in four. David Munoz, 117, kayoed Sergio Vera, 118, in six. Babe Luis II, 107, TKO'd Jose Escalante, 108, in five. Jose (Baby) Huertas, 107, TKO'd Javier Varguez, 108, in one. (09-14-83)

__MERIDA-Rodolfo Alvarado, 108, TKO'd Santiago Mendez, 109, in the 10th and final round. Fernando (Candelita) Varguez, 107, stopped Tony Hong, also 107, in five. Lupe Llanes, 114, TKO'd Jose Feliciano Euan, 115, in two. Luis (Torero) Rodriguez, 112, outpointed Mario Rios, 111, four. Eduardo Sosa, 113, outscored Tony Solis, 111, four. (09-28-83)

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ARGENTINA

POSADAS—Excellent welterweight Luis Angel Suárez outpointed César Oscar Pérez 10. (09-01-83)

__TUCUMAN—Junior featherweights Benjamín Del Valle Sendín and Raúl (Nico) Pérez drew 10. Featherweights Alfredo Comaschi and Daniel Murá drew, 10. (09-02-83)

__CATAMARCA—José Cufré halted Faustino Narváez in the third round, flyweights. (09-02-83)

__CORDOBA—Junior welterweight Julio Melone outclassed Ricardo Espinoza, 10. Welterweight José Bronzone halted Martín Durán in 10. (09-02-83)

__SALTA—Junior welterweight Hugo Vicente outpointed Rodolfo Petrizani, 10. Alfredo Chavez halted Silvano Melgarejo, lightweights, in the fifth. ((09-02-83)

__ROSARIO—Sergio Combis, outpointed Osmar Ochoa, 10, welterweights. (09-02-83)

__PERGAMINO—Unbeaten junior featherweight Eduardo (Locomotora) Chavez outclassed Hugo Fernández, 10. (09-03-83)

__LINCOLN—Jaime Loyola halted Manuel Díaz in the 10th, junior featherweights. (09-03-83)

__BUENOS AIRES—Luna Park Stadium—In a TV bout, junior middleweight Carlos Velásquez outpointed Josa9e Fernández, 10. (09-07-83)

__BAHIA BLANCA—The match between junior lightweights Walter Correa and Lucio Torales drew, 10. (09-09-83)

__OLAVARRIA—Junior welterweight Ramón Collado outpointed Raúl Fernández, 10. (09-09-83)

__RIO CUARTO—Experienced featherweight Raúl Bianco outpointed junior lightweight Mario Vizcaya, 10. Luis Torellini halted Rubén Coria in the seventh, lightweights. (09-09-83)

__PRESIDENTE ROQUE SAENZ PENA—Highly rated welterweight Ramón Abeldano halted Hugo Benitez in two. (09-09-83)

__MORENO—New light heavyweight sensation César Romero continued his winning row by knocking César Juan Carlos Rodriguez out in the second. Romero is waiting for a shot at the Argentine title. (09-09-83)

__CORDOBA—Featherweight Carlos Laciar used a constant attack to halt Jorge Avila in the sixth. (09-09-83)

__LA PLATA—Former Argentine champion Héctor Patri outpointed South American champion Rodolfo Rodriguez, 10, junior flyweights. (09-09-83)

__COMODORO RIVADZAVIA—Celestino Pacheco outpointed Carlos Fallone, 10, welterweights. (09-09-83)

__MENDOZA—Argentine bantamweight champion Ramón Soria retained his title by outpointing South American champion José Rufino Narváez. (09-09-83)

__NUEVE DE JULIO—Unbeaten junior lightweight Roberto (Rocky) Defooz knocked out Rubén Mendoza in the sixth. (09-09-83)

__MAR DEL PLATA—Welterweight Manuel Roca surprised everybody by fighting a draw with experienced Carlos Prieto, 10. (09-09-83)

__RAFAELA—Argentine junior flyweight champion Mario Demarco halted Paraguayan flyweight Ustacio Zaracho in three. (09-09-83)

__CONCORDIA—Pablo Ferreyra halted Oscar Vallejos in the third, welterweights. (09-09-83)

__JESUS MARIA—Hugo Albarez outpointed Oscar Fátima Barrios, 10, junior middleweights. (09-09-83)

__VENADO TUERTO—Sergio Loyola outpointed Aníbal Ozuna, 10, junior welterweights. (09-09-83)

__ZARATE—Junior middleweight Eusebio Suárez halted Hugo Gutiérrez in four. (09-09-83)

__DAIREAUX—Junior lightweight Alberto Aragón halted José Quinteros in the fourth. (09-09-83)

__SAN LUSIS—Veteran lightweight Abraham Valenzuela and Chilean Ricardo Martinez drew, 10. (09-09-83)

__CORONEL PRINGLES—Raúl Sosa and Hèctor Daniel González, drew, 10, welterweights. (09-09-83)

__NECOCHEA—Aníbal Sosa and Héctor Daniel González, drew, 10, welterweights. (09-09-83)

__PERGAMINO—Argentine and South American junior featherweight champion, Ramón (Moncho) Domiguez halted former champion Hugo Villarruel in the eighth. (09-10-83)

__VICTORICA—Junior middleweight Juan Carlos Ledesma outpointed Osmar Rodriguez, 10. (09-10-83)

__GENERAL PICO—Alberto Vico halted Juan Ervidia in the sixth, lightweights. (09-10-83)

__BUENOS AIRES—Luna Park Stadium—Lightweight prospect Luis Zárate outpointed Ricardo Espinoza, 10. (09-14-83)

__LA PLATA—Adolfo Arce Rossi, a young junior welterweight with a nice technical style, outpointed Apolinario Romero, César Valdez halted Sixto Gutierrez in two, junior middleweights. (09-16-83)

__SAN FRANCISCO—In a poor perfomrance, world challenger Juan Domingo (Martillo) Roldán easily outpointed veteran Eduardo Contreras, 10. (09-16-83)

__CORRIENTES—Gustavo Ballas outpointed Alberto Pereyra, 10. Both were within 115. (09-16-83)

__TUCUMAN—Featherweight René Plaza outclassed Antonio Ibanez, 10. (09-16-83)

__SAMPACHO—Miguel Canedo outpointed Hugo Fernández, 10, lightweights. (09-16-83)

__CORDOBA—Benjamín del Valle Sendín outpointed Armando Romero, 10, junior featherweights. José Bronzone halted Cirilo Ruiz in four, welterweights. (09-16-83)

__COMODORO RIVADAVIA—Welterweight Rafael Zalazar halted Juan Segundo García in the third round. (09-16-83)

__RANCUL—Lightweights Juan Zúniga and Ricardo Castro drew, 10. (09-16-83)

__ESQUEL—Welterweight Antonio René Juárez outpointed Panamanian Jorge Pino, 10. (09-17-83)

__PERGAMINO—The locally based South American light heavyweight champion, Uruguayan José María Flores Burlón, returned to action after being stopped by César Romero in Luna Park, and halted mediocre Ireneo Cabrero in the second. (09-17-83)

__AMERICA—Osmar Avila outpointed Carlos Omar Almada, 10, junior lightweights. (09-17-83)

__BUENOS AIRES—Luna Park Stadium—In a TV bout, popular José (Tigre) Benitez Sosa halted Miguel Pereyra in the fifth, welterweights. (09-21-83)

__SAN NICOLAS—Welterweight Ramón Abeldano, who is frequently fighting and winning, outpointed Luis Sosa, 10. (09-23-83)

__OLAVARRIA—Junior welterweight Ramón Collado halted Pedro Armando Gurierrez in 10. Gutierrez usually fights as a junior lightweight. (09-23-83)

__CAMPANA—Lucio López halted Christian Díaz in the second, junior featherweights. (09-23-83)

__TRELEW—Highly rated welterweight Enrique Sallago outpointed Carlos Prieto, 10. (09-23-83)

__TUCHMAN—Alfredo Comaschi outpointed Santos Soria, 10, featherweights. Ricardo Romero outpointed José Ignacio Funes, 10, junior welterweights. (09-23-83)

__PARANA—Cruiserweight Héctor Rohr halted Juan Portela in two. Junior middleweight Osvaldo Nóbrega stopped Hugo Calfulpan in seven. (09-23-83)

__SAN JORGE—José Villarreal halted Juan Medina in nine, featherweights. (09-23-83)

__SALTA—Argentine and South American champion Alfredo Lucero halted junior middleweight Ricardo Carballo in two. (09-23-83)

__CHAJARI—Bantamweight Luis Vilches outpointed Armando Cancio, ten. (09-23-83)

__BUENOS AIRES—Luna Park Stadium—Fast rising junior middleweight Luis Bazàn halted Hugo Albarez in six. (09-28-83)

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8. Guido Trane (Italy)
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7. Jimmy Cable (England)
8. Nick Wilshire (England)
9. Daniel Zappaterra (Italy)
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4. Everaldo Costa (Italy)
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5. Terry Marsh (England)
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9. Charles Jurietti (France)
10. Manfred Findenig (Austria)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Alfredo Raininger (Italy)
1. Cornelius Boza-Edwards (England)
2. Roberto Castanon (Spain)
3. Carlos Hernandez (Spain)
4. Michel Siracusa (France)
5. Daniel Londas (France)
6. Marco Gallo (Italy)
7. Lorenzo Paciullo (Italy)
8. Carlos M Rodriguez (Spain)
9. Antoine Curti (France)
10. Amalio Galan (Spain)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Loris Stecca (Italy)
2. Barry McGuigan (Ireland)
3. Salvatore Melluzzo (Italy)
4. Steve Sims (Wales)
5. Jean Marc Renard (Belgium)
6. Valerio Nati (Italy)
7. Kamel Djadda (France)
8. Giuseppe La Vite (Italy)
9. Frank Lussi ((France)
10. Jose Luis Vicho (Spain

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Walter Giorgetti (Italy)
1. Giuseppe Fossati (Italy)
2. Davey Larmour (Ireland)
3. Hugh Russell (Ireland)
4. John Feeney (England)
5. Paolo Castrovilli (Italy)
6. Jose Antunez (Spain)
7. Ray Gilbody (England)
8. Luis De La Sagra (Spain)
9. Ciro De Leva (Italy)
10. Peter Jones (Wales)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Antoine Montero (France)
1. Charlie Magri (England)
2. Keith Wallace (England)
3. Franco Cherchi (Italy)
4. Kelvin Smart (Wales)
5. Gianpiero Pinna (Italy)
6. Giovani Camputaro (Italy)
7. Mariano Garcia (Spain)
8. Enrique Rodriguez (Spain)
9. Duke McKenzie (England)
10. Mario Bitetto (Italy)

__CORRIENTES—Argentine bantamweight champion Ramón Soria and Alberto Pereyra drew, 10.
(09-30-83)
__CONCORDIA—Roberto Yonni and Antonio René Juárez drew 10, welterweights.
(09-30-83)
__MAR DEL PLATA—Alberto Aragón outpointed Miguel Canedo, 10, lightweights.
(09-30-83)
__SALTA—Miguel Arroyo halted José Comolli in the sixth, welterweights.
(09-30-83)
__NOTES—Two Argentine fighters included in the Latin American ratings retired after accidents. Veteran welterweight Roberto Alfaro made his decision due to injuries suffered in a car crash. Young bantamweight Oscar (Rocky) Flores was injured by a train on September 24 at José C. Paz, a railway station close to Buenos Aires, and lost his right hand. Flores is a 20-year-old boy, former excellent amateur, and was unbeaten in 9 professional bouts.

BRAZIL

SAO PAULA—Brazilian heavyweight champion José Adilson Rodrigues halted mediocre Argentine Marcos (Kid) Tosto in the first round to continue his winning streak.
Fernando Ernesto outpointed Pedro Ferraro, eight, junior welterweights.
Brazilian flyweight champion Paulo Ribeiro and Carlos Enrique, drew, eight.
(09-12-83)
__SAO PAULO—Unbeaten Brazilian champion Carlos Antunes upped his record to 10-0-0 with eight kayoes by halting Paraguayan champion Jorge Servín.
(09-24-83)

URUGUAY

MONTEVIDEO—Miguel Curbelo outpointed Argentine Bernardo Narváez, 10, junior welterweights.
Sergio González outpointed Brazilian Dione Ferreira, eight, light heavyweights.
(09-09-83)

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EUROPE

AUSTRIA

▲**VIENNA**—Despite delayed tape TV coverage, the Vienna Athletic Centre was sold out as local fans packed the hall to see national champions Franz Dorfer, Edip Secevic, and Manfred Findenig clash with top class Italian opposition. Middleweight champion Franz Dorfer dropped former European title holder Matteo Salvemini twice on the way to an eight-round points victory. The 33-year-old Austrian has been in good form lately and is hoping to crown his career with a shot at the European title. Franz is 22-9-2.
Secevic, the light middleweight champion, gave a real blood-and-guts performance to beat Roberto Manoni. Secevic suffered a severe cut which gushed blood throughout the fight, and was on the floor in both the first and second rounds. Despite this, the Austrian battled on, slowing Manoni down with punches to the body, and below, until the Italian crumbled and threw up his arms in surrender in the sixth. The 25-year-old Secevic is now 10-4-1, Manoni dropped to 20-5.
Lightweight champion Manfred Findenig outpointed former Italian champion Bruno De Montis over eight. It was a good win for the 23-year-old Findenig and raised his record to 7-3. De Montis, a 28-year-old southpaw, now has a 27-3-1 score.
Newcomer Jurgen Himmler made it four wins for Austria by outpointing the Italian lightweight, Gianquinto Vercella, in a very entertaining six-rounder.
(10-24-83)

BELGIUM

▲**LA LOUVIERE**—Light-middles: Claudio Bosio and Juergen Broszeit drew, six. Light-heavies: Sergio Bosio kayoed Matthias Wirth in five.
(09-30-83)
▲**LA LOUVIERE**—Lights: Francisco Rodriguez stopped Andre Blanco who retired in round four.
(10-21-83)

DENMARK

▲**COPENHAGEN**—The WBC's number one cruiserweight, John Odhiambo, had no trouble in outclassing Eddie Gonzalez. The tall Ugandan won every round, but failed to put Gonzalez away and had to settle for a 10-round workout. Eddie is the son of former welterweight contender Manny Gonzalez.
Italian Guido Trane was brought in as a late substitute to face Swedish heavyweight hope Andres Edlund and, despite winning four of the six rounds, was only given a draw. Trane was brought in after the promoter, Mogens Palle, foiled attempts by an American agent to palm off 39-year-old—and inactive—Al Brooks as a live opponent for Eklund.
Light heavyweight Michael Madsen scored a split decision over Trevor Cattouse, six, lightweight Gert Bo Jacobsen kayoed Gary Lucas in four, light welterweight Mohammed Kawoya knocked out Kevin Pritchard in two and middleweight John Mortensen beat Cliff Curtis who was not allowed out for round four due to a cut eye. The four losers were all British.
(10-06-83)

FINLAND

▲**JYVASKYLA**—Former amateur star Tarmo Uusivirta floored Benelux champion Maurice Bufi twice in the fifth round before the Belgian's corner finally threw in the towel. The 26-year-old Finn won a gold medal in the European championships and silvers in two consecutive world championships. He is one to watch.
(09-18-83)

FRANCE

▲**ST. NAZAIRE**—French light middleweight champion Germain Lemaitre warmed up for his challenge to European champion Herol Graham with a 10-round points victory over Luigi Marini. Lemaitre, who will be 36 in January, is now 41-3-6.
(09-29-83)
▲**CORBEIL**—Light middles: Jean-Pierre Calvez outpointed Albert Le Francois, six.
(10-07-83)
▲**ST. AUBIN**—Light-heavies: Patrick Akam beat Marc Gitton, who retired in the first round.
(10-07-83)
▲**NICE**—Welterweight prospect Jean-Claude Fontana outpointed Hugues Samo, eight.
(10-07-83)
▲**VILLENAVE**—French light heavyweight Rufino Angulo beat David Conteh on a fourth round disqualification for careless use of the head. The 27-year-old Angulo was well on top in the bout and improved his record to 20-6-2.
(10-08-83)
▲**COMPIEGNE**—Junior lightweight Jamel Ben Meziane outscored Antonio Secci, eight.
(10-08-83)
▲**PARIS**—Gilles Elbilia won the vacant European welterweight title with a points victory over Belgian veteran Frankie De Caestecker, 12. Elbilia was on the floor in the fourth and suffered a cut eye in round 10, but his better work rate carried him to a unanimous decision with scores of 115-114, 117-115, and 118-115. De Caestecker had trained in Mexico for this fight and was in the hunt right to the final bell. The new champion is 26 and owns a 22-2 record. The title became vacant when Colin Jones relinquished it to chase the WBC crown. Right now, Jones, Kirkland Laing, Gianfranco Rossi, Ace Rusevshi, and Lloyd Honeyghan would all be favored to beat the Frenchman, so he can expect some tough challenges.
Light heavyweight Richard Caramanolis scored win number 25 by stopping Vedat Akova of Turkey in round five.
Daniel Londas, the French junior lightweight champion, outpointed Sammy Meck in eight rounds for his 24th win in 26 fights. The dangerous Ugandan middleweight, Dick (Tiger) Katende outpointed Andre Mongelema to remain unbeaten.
In light welterweight sixes, Tony Vivarelli outpointed Norbert Alcade and Jean-Baptiste Mendy outpointed Abdel Chahboune.
(10-10-83)
▲**AIX EN PROVENCE**—The unbeaten Tunisian, Brahim Messaoudi knocked out Rafael Gutierrez of Spain in round two. The 22-year-old welterweight is now 13-0-1 following an amateur career in which he claimed 36 wins in 36 fights.
Former French junior lightweight champion Michel Siracusa outpointed Amalio Galan of Spain, eight.
Yombo Araka and Devon Bailey of England drew in a light heavyweight eight.
(10-14-83)
▲**GRENOBLE**—Franck Lussi outpointed Alain Lefol in a junior lightweight eight and Michel Cini beat Pascal Chabenat on points in a bantamweight six.
(10-14-83)
▲**PARIS**—Welters: Lucien Campo outpointed Franco Martucci, six.
(10-17-83)
▲**FREJUS**—In a clash of good young middleweights, Giovanni Martorina outpointed Aldo Curti, eight.
(10-21-83)
▲**ECHIROLLES**—Junior lightweight Hassen Mebarki extended his unbeaten run to 10 (one draw) by stopping Abdoulaye Ba on cuts in round four.
(10-21-83)
▲**ST. BRIEUC**—Light heavies: Anaclet Wamba stopped Luc

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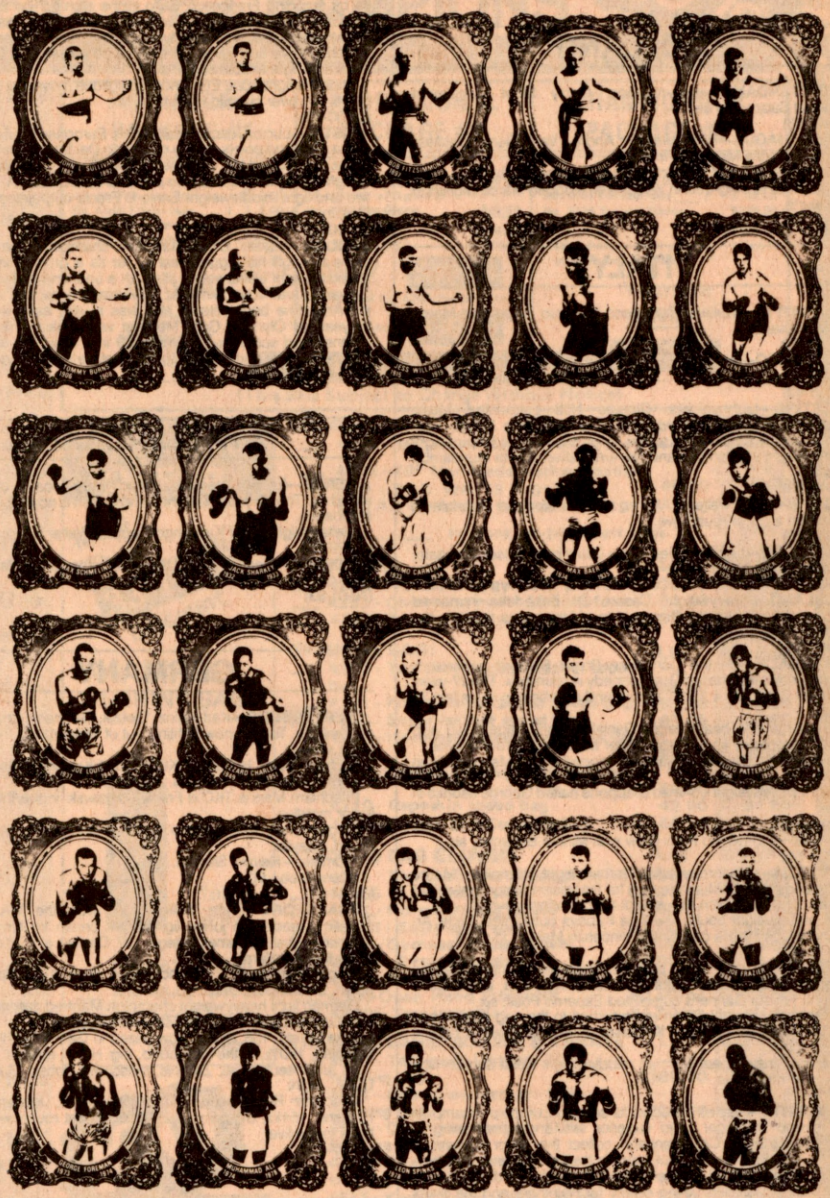

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▲**ROUBAIX**—Lights: Kamel Kessaci outpointed Laurent Grimbert, eight.
(10-22-83)

▲**PARIS**—Light heavies: Jean-Noel Camara kayoed Jorys Charbonnel in the third.
(10-24-83)

HOLLAND

▲**ROTTERDAM**—Light middles: Gerry Sloof outpointed Raphael Salamone, six.
(10-17-83)

▲**THE HAGUE**—Heavyweight Andre Van Dem Oetelaar stopped Nedza Memeti in four.

Anton Verrips and Mohamed Bousiani drew, eight.

Light middleweight John Van Elteren stopped Marco Giuliani in the fourth.
(10-17-83)

ITALY

▲**LA ROTTA**—Welters: Francesco Prezioso outpointed Marco Torregrossa, six.
(07-08-83)

▲**CALOLZIO**—Welters: Giorgio Frigerio outpointed Giuseppe Agate, six.
(07-15-83)

▲**OSTUNI**—Lightweights: Claudio Nitti outpointed Mario Fignano, six. Light heavyweights: The promising Lutashi Mudimbi stopped Gabriele Lazzari on a cut in round four. Light welterweight veteran Luciano Navarra halted Mbuta Muydambu in two.
(08-10-83)

▲**CAPRI**—Light welters: Alfonso Astarita stopped Gabriele Di Stazio on a cut in round five.
(08-12-83)

▲**BESSUDE**—Light middles: Efisio Galici beat Giuseppe Agate, who retired in round three.
(08-19-83)

▲**CELANO**—Heavyweight Cesare Di Benedetto remained unbeaten, as he forced George Ajjo of Uganda to throw in the sponge in round three.
(08-21-83)

▲**MARSALA**—On the Don Curry-Roger Stafford undercard, Sumbu Kalambay halted Guy Kennedy in round six. The 27-year-old from Zaire has a 25-1-1 record and is unbeaten in his last 24 bouts.

The Argentine heavyweight Daniel Falconi made it 9-0 with seven stoppages as he halted Peter Mulindwa in round three.

Lightweight Carmelo Lojacono stopped David Mahmutovic in six.

Light welterweight Lorenzo Giappone halted George Ssonko in four.
(09-05-83)

▲**ROME**—Domenico Ricci drew with Minnio Bolemba, six.
(09-05-83)

▲**PISTOIA**—Two former Italian featherweight champions, Marco Gallo and Potito Di Muro clashed for the vacant junior lightweight crown, and Gallo won the verdict after 12 close rounds.

In welterweight bouts, Mwimpa Kabeya outpointed Abdel Arrow and Joe Messa outpointed Vincenzo Maiolini in sixes.
(09-10-83)

▲**TERME**—Former Italian light middleweight champion Daniele Zappaterra outpointed Antonio Torsello, eight and, at the same weight, Fausto Gennaro outpointed Esperno Postl, six.

Light heavyweight Gino Freo returned to the ring after a long lay-off and flattened Josef Kossman of Germany with a right in round four.

Marco Rinaldo beat German middleweight Horst Schulz, who retired in round two.
(09-16-83)

▲**CASERTA**—Naples collected its second European champion as Alfredo Raininger used superior skill and conditioning to outscore Roberto Castanon and collect the junior lightweight crown. The Spaniard did not seem to be 100% fit and, despite a strong finish, looked a clear loser—although the decision was split with two officials voting clearly for Raininger and the Swiss judge going for Castanon by one point.

The new champion is 26 and has a 27-2 record with both losses due to cuts. The 30-year-old Spaniard had never previously lost to a European fighter and was unbeaten in 15 title bouts at featherweight and junior lightweight on the continent.

José Luis Vicho gained a measure of revenge for Spain by outpointing the Italian featherweight prospect, Salvatore Bottiglieri, eight.

Lightweight Mbuta Muwadiambu beat Luca De Lorenzi, who was disqualified in round one.

Middleweight Giovanni De Marco outpointed Mayele Mabele in six and welterweight Gaetano Caso outpointed Joe Messa, eight.
(09-21-83)

▲**ROSETO DEGLI ABRUZZI**—A finely balanced bantamweight battle between Walter Giorgetti of Italy and Jose Antunez of Spain ended in the seventh round due to a bad cut over the Spaniard's left eye. Girogetti scored his 14th win in 16 fights and retained his European title. The unlucky Antunez has now lost two of his 18 bouts and deserves a return.

Heavyweight prospect Angelo Rottoli forced Antxon Iraeta of Spain to retire in round four. He now has 12 wins and one draw with eight stoppages.

Santiago Alvarez won a battle of South American veterans with a points victory over lightweight Hugo Carrizo. The 33-year-old Alvarez hails from Chile and Carrizo is from Uruguay.
(09-22-83)

▲**ROME**—Italian heavyweight hope Franco Federici paid the price for overconfidence. He marched right into a two-punch combination from the Cameroons veteran Jacob Tchanthuing in the first round and was knocked cold.

Lightweight Fabio Tavarnelli stopped Giancarlo Compiani, who retired in the fourth.
(09-24-83)

▲**MODENA**—Gianfranco Rosi retained his Italian welterweight title by stopping Francesco Gallo in the eighth. The 26-year-old Rosi now has a 26-1 record and is unbeaten in his last 20.

Two other fights ended early, as Stefan Bonetti kayoed Giorgio Frigerio in five and Efisio Galici stopped Alessandro Crisafulli in the first in light middleweight action.

Middleweight hope Edmondo Buttiglione moved to 11-0 with a points win over Hamed Hammadi, six.
(09-30-83)

▲**OSTIA**—Lucio Cusma retained his European lightweight title with a 12-round points victory over Aldo Dei Benedetto of France. It was the second title defense for the 29-year-old Italian.

Light heavyweight Marcello Paciucci halted Juan A. Barrera in two and light middleweight Ennio D'Ercole outpointed Vincenzo Maiolini in six.
(09-30-83)

▲**MILAN**—Naples' other European champion, Patrizio Oliva, came through his biggest test so far as a professional. He retained his light welterweight title with a unanimous decision over Giovanni (Juan Jose) Gimenez. Oliva was too fast and talented for the Argentine born veteran and was a very easy winner. The 24-year-old Olympic Gold Medalist was making his third title defense and scored win number 30 in a row. The 33-year-old Giminez is now had 100-10-5 and must be near good-bye time.
(10-14-83)

SWITZERLAND

▲**BERNE**—Enrico Scacchia halted Ibelo Moano of Zaire in round six. The 20-year-old light heavyweight is now 12-0 with nine stoppages.

Welterweight Josef Kassango stopped Walter Borghesi in four.
(09-29-83)

▲**HORGEN**—Featherweight Sepp Iten stopped Luciano Frasca on a cut eye in round seven.
(10-01-83)

ERIC ARMIT

GERMANY

__**WESTERBURG**—Karl Heinz, Dietzel, Germany, knocked out Ali Pehlivan, Turkey, now fighting out of Westerburg, in the third, junior welters.

Michael Maier, Holland, TKO'd Horst Krammer, Germany, in the first round, junior middles.

Friedhelm Manns TKO'd Frank Csyzewski in the third round, junior middles.

Jurgen Gries TKO'd fellow German Kurt Oerter in the sixth round, heavies.

Promoter—Helmut Slomke.

Attendance—90.
(09-24-83)

__**FRANKFORT**—Rene Weller, 130, won the WAA (World Athletic Association) junior lightweight crown by stopping the defending champ, James Ortega, 127, Denver, at 2:38 of the first. Louis Moret, referee.

Reiner Hartmann, 211, and Felipe Rodriguez, Spain, 194, Spain, a southpaw, drew.

German light heavyweight champion Manfred Jassmann, 177, and Lutshadi Mudimbi, 178, Zaire, drew, eight.

Jose Varela, 156, Spain, now based in Germany, TKO'd Rudi Bitterling, 160½, in the fifth round. Sigi Hahn, referee.

Ali Ali Chiteule, 130, Zambia, outscored Robert Mullins, 129, U.S.A., eight.

Graciano Rocchigiani, 157, a southpaw, kayoed Marnix Heytens, 154½, Belgium, in 2:28 of the first round with a right hook to the liver.
(10-07-83)

JACK A. TREE

UNITED KINGDOM

NOTTINGHAM—Commodore International—Paul Murray, 161½, Birmingham, outscored Bert Myrie, 157¼, Wolverhampton, over eight by 79-78. An all-action bout.

Jeff Standley, 156, Grimsby, outpointed Floyd Davidson, 158, Derby, over six by 59-57½.

Graham Griffin, 147½, Corby, outscored Carl Bishop, 143½, 143½, Northampton, six.

Kenny Jenks, 131½, West Bromwich, halted Paul Wright, 129¼, Nottingham, in three. Wright had been down and was bleeding from the nose.
(09-19-83)

__**GLASGOW—St. Andrews Sporting Club**—Ian McLeod, Edinburgh, halted Jimmy Bunclarke, 138, in the third. Bunclarke had been down, was cut near the right eye, and was bleeding from the nose.

Jackie Turner, 138, Hull, outpointed George Kerr, 136, Dundee, over eight by 79-78. This was Turner's first fight in nearly two years.

Albert Buchanan, 144, Dundee, and Paul Salih, 146, Dundee, drew, six.

Steve Boyle, 136, Glasgow, didn't lose a round outpointing Craig Walsh, also 136, Bradford, six. Boyle is still undefeated.
(09-19-83)

RON OLVER

AFRICA

SOUTH AFRICA

NATAL

DURBAN—King's Park Rugby Stadium—Robbie Williams bounced back from a first round knockdown to stop Mike Koranicki in the eighth round of a bruising scheduled 10-round heavyweight battle.

Koranicki's biggest mistake was to lead with his chin instead of his jab.
(10-12-83)

TRANSVAAL

__**SPRINGS—Kwa Thema Civic Centre**—Transvaal junior welterweight champion Jeffrey Mankune outscored Julio Melone, Argentina, 10.

It was hard to believe that Melone had had 66 pro fights in Argentina. He was completely outboxed by the novice champion, who scored a runaway victory but lacked the experience to put Melone down.
(10-28-83)

__**JOHANNESBURG—Wembley Sports Pavilion**—Bennie Knoetze won a unanimous decision over American cruiserweight Irish Jimmy Smith, eight. Smith was floored twice in the first.

South African light heavyweight champion Piet Crous knocked out Victor Robledo, Argentina, in the seventh.
(10-29-83)

BERT BLEWETT

ORIENT

JAPAN

TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Fumio Ozaki, 135, regained the Japanese lightweight title with a unanimous decision over Cheyenne Yamamoto, 134½, 10. Yamamoto was down in the last two sessions.

Ozaki, 21, who suffers from lumbago, is now 12-2 with five knockouts. Yamamoto is 13-6-5 with six kayoes. Scoring: referee Masakazu Uchida and judge Takeo Ugo, both 97-94; judge Ken Morita, 98-94.

Carlos Elliot, 145¾, demolished Won-Ki Chung, 147, the Korean Boxing Commission's second ranked welter, in 1:57 of the fourth round in their scheduled 10. Elliot, who works at Misawa Base Camp, is now 3-0—all knockouts.

Takahiro Masaki, 108½, won a unanimous decision over Rikuo Watanabe, 108¼, eight. Masaki is now 8-4-1. Watanabe, the former All-Japan high school amateur champ, is 9-4.

Four-rounders: Tomomi Shimabukuro, 125½, flattened Hiroyuki Kyoda, 126, in 2:58 of the third. Keiji Sato, 112, outscored Nozomu Okuda, also 112. Shunji Tsuchiya, 111¾, floored Koji Eimori, 112, twice enroute to a points verdict. Naoki Morioka, 114¼, stopped Takashi Umeda, 114½, at 1:48 of the third round. Yoshihiko Ikeda, 114½ halted Hiroshi Handa, 113, at 1:44 of the second in the opener.

Teiken Promotions. Nippon TV.

Attendance—1,500.
(09-02-83)

__**TSUCHIURA—Sports Center**—Hiroyasu Kato, 112, knocked out Yukinori Onishi, also 112, in 1:56 of the third round in the scheduled 10-round main event.

Kiyoshi Sasaki, 129¾, stopped Hideki Ishida, 129¼, at 2:11 of the eighth and final round.

Four-rounders: Shinji Maeda, 119¼, halted Mitsuo Omori, 118¾, at 0:52 of the fourth round. Koji Kaneda, 112, outscored Yusuke Matsumura, also 112. Wolf Sato, 126, outpointed Mitsuyuki Murakami, also 126. Tsutomu Akashi, 121½, TKO'd Tu Sasaki, 122, at 0:42 of the fourth. Shinichi Iwasaki, 118, outscored Yasuhiko Terada, also 118. Hirohiko Yabuki, 111¾, kayoed Kazuya Kato, 110¼, in 2:10 of the first session. Seiji Sakurada, 107½, halted Takuto Misawa, 107, in the opener.

Attendance—2,000.
(09-03-83)

__**TOKYO—Korakuen Hall**—Akio Kameda, 139, floored Ryo Asuka, 138¾, thrice for an automatic knockout in 2:05 of the third round to retain his national title. Kameda, 26, is now 21-1 with 15 kayoes. Asuka is 7-7 with four knockouts. Takeshi Shimakawa, referee.

Takefumi (Kembun) Taiho, 108, executed a beautiful stoppage over Tadashi Kuramochi, 106¾, at 2:43 of the ninth round in their scheduled 10. Taiho, 19, is now 7-1 with three kayoes. Kuramochi, this year's Novice King tourney winner, is 10-1-1 with three knockouts.

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Mitsuru Sugiya, 126¾, halted Shigemichi Wakatsuki, 127½, at 2:32 of round three in a scheduled eight. Sugiya, younger brother of ex-Japanese junior welterweight king Minoru, is now 9-1 with six kayoes. Wakatsuki is 6-2 with one knockout.

Four-rounders: Hideaki Sato, 129¼, halted Koji Kaga, 120½, at 2:15 of the first round. Hideki Kanai, 117¼, stopped Susuke Iguchi, 116½, at 0:20 of the fourth. Tetsuo Muraoka, 110¾, outscored Shinji Ozawa, 111¾, in the opener.

Kyoei Promotions. TBS TV.

Attendance—1,500

(09-05-83)

__TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Jackal Maruyama, 114¾, survived four knockdowns to stop hard punching challenger Hiroyuki Seki, also 114¾, at 0:27 of the sixth round and retain his Japanese junior bantamweight title.

Jackal floored Hiroyuki with an overhand right in the first round, but was decked by a short right hand later in the same session. Right hands decked the champ twice in the second, but the challenger was dropped again before round's end. Maruyama hit the canvas for the fourth time in the third frame, but came back to win the fourth.

The champ swarmed over Seki in the fifth round, flooring him for a compulsory eight count and sending him down in the ropes. Another "rope down" followed in the sixth, and referee Ken Morita wisely called a halt. Seki looked quite groggy.

Jackal, 29, is now 22-8-3 with 13 kayoes. Seki, a former amateur at Chuoh University, is 7-2-2 with six knockouts.

Hammer Itoi, 139½, knocked Rocky Takemoto, 138½, down thrice to score a fine knockout in 2:14 of the fourth orund in the 10-round semi-final. Itoi, a stocky puncher, is now 12-6-3 with 11 kayoes. Takemoto is 5-5 with four knockouts.

Masanao Ishikawa, 117, eked out a majority decision over Masakatsu Sakuma, 117½, six. Ishikawa is now 4-0-1 with one kayo.

Southpaw Yoshinobu Fukui, 111¾, TKO'd Moriaki Arazaki, 112, at 2:46 of thr first round in their scheduled six.

Four-rounders: Yoshiharu Yokoshoji, 115, and Hideaki Nishikawa, 114¾, drew. Masahiko Kubota, 107½, won a unanimous decision over Tetsuo Fukushima, 107. Yoshio Oshida, 107¼, won a unanimous decision over Hideo Asami, 105¼, in the opener.

Kokusai Promotions. TV Asahi.

Attendance—2,300.

(09-06-83)

__OSAKA—Prefectural Gymnasium—Junya Kushikino, 146½, retained his Japanese welter crown by knocking out Nobutaka Kuwata, 143½, in 2:21 of the sixth round in a scheduled 10. Kushikino is now 23-13 with 18 kayoes. Kuwata is 7-10-2 with five knockouts.

Takuya Muguruma, 126, iced Shogo Tabata, 125¾, on 0:46 of the first round in their scheduled 10. Muguruma, the 1982 Novice King tourney winner, is now 14-0 with nine kayoes. Tabata is 6-23-4 with two knockouts. A total mismatch.

Keigo Furuta, 124, won a close but unanimous nod over Masahide Ikehara, 126, eight.

Yoshikazu Kurashita, 109¾, extended his unbeaten log to 5-0 (three kayoes) by outscoring Takashi Nonoyama, 109, in the six-round opener.

WBA junior bantamweight champion Jiro Watanabe boxed a three-round exhibition with Koichi Sugimoto, three.

Shinko Promotions. No telecast.

Attendance—5,800.

(09-08-83)

__SHIMIZU—Suzuyo Memorial Gymnasium—Masataka Katayama, 124½, floored Fumio Nada, 129, thrice for an automatic knockout in 2:12 of the second round in a scheduled eight.

Katsuhide Nomura, 149½, halted Masaru Takagi, 150, at 2:35 of the first round in the scheduled six-round opener.

The remaining bouts were Novice King Nagoya Zone tournament finals. All were scheduled six-rounders.

Welterweight: Kazumi Yokoi, 146½, stopped Fumitaka Ikegaya, also 146½, at 2:59 of the fourth round.

Lightweight: Minoru Kujo, 133½, halted Koichiro Nakagaito, also 133½, at 2:11 of the second.

Bantamweight: Yasuo Nakane, 118, won a unanimous decision over Kaname Yoshida, also 118. Yoshida was floored with a quick one-two.

Junior bantamweight: Yoshinao Yotsuda, 144½, stopped Masatoshi Azuma, 113, at 1:14 of the fifth.

Mitsuyama Promotions.

Attendance—2,000.

(09-13-83)

__OSAKA—Sakuranomiya Skating Rink—Novice King Kansai District tournament finals made up the entire card.

Welterweight: Hideo Kawamoto, 146¼, demolished Yuji Shizuka, 145½, in 2:30 of the first round in a scheduled four.

Junior welter: Iwao Nishikawa, 139¼, won a split duke over Yoshitaka Akagi, also 139¼, six.

Lightweight: Yoshio Yamamoto, 134½, outscored Masato Takada, 133½, six.

Junior lightweight: Hiroyuki Matsumoto, 129, won a hairline verdict over Hiroshi Yamashiro, 129¾, six.

Featherweight: Koichi Satojima, 125, stopped Tomoya Kakimoto, 126, at 0:21 of the sixth and final round.

Junior featherweight: Satoshi Urakawa, 121½, halted Masayoshi Matsuura, 120½, at 1:45 of the third round in their scheduled six.

Bantamweight: Tatsuo Hirakawa, 117½, stopped Hideyuki Komatsu, 117¾, at 1:24 of the fifth round in their scheduled six.

Junior bantamweight: Katsutoshi Matsui, 114¾, won a unanimous decision over Shigeki Kisu, 114, six. Matsui, now 4-0, was named Best Winner of the local finals.

Flyweight: Masaji Ueda was named the winner by default.

Junior flyweight: Tetsuya Hamamoto, 106¾, and Big Yamagami, 106, drew, six. Hamatoto, now 4-0-2, was, however, chosen to proceed and meet the Nagoya Zone tournament winner.

West Japan *Shinjin-o* Committee. No telecast.

Attendance—1,000 (estimated).

(09-17-83)

__TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Tadashi Mihara, 153¾, retained his Japanese junior middleweight title with a lopsided unanimous decision over Katsuyoshi Kitsumoto, 152¼, 10. No knockdowns. Scoring: referee Takeshi Shimakawa and judge Hiroyuki Tezaki, both 100-93; judge Takeaki Kanaya, 100-94.

Mihara, 28, is now 20-1 with 13 kayoes. Kitsumoto is 7-5-1 with three knockouts.

Takaharu Nishimura, 117½, scored an upset kayo over Masayuki Kirisaki, 117¼, in 1:17 of the second in their scheduled 10-rounder. A wicked left hook dropped Kirisaki for the count. Nishimura is now 8-3 with four knockouts.

Hiroshi Hori, 137½, stopped Noboru Kawaguchi, 137¾, at 2:21 of the fifth round in a scheduled eight.

Koji Nishikawa, 112¼, won a unanimous decision over Sadanori Ozaki, 114, six.

Four-rounders: Kinya Nakamura, 107, and Masaru Yoshimoto, 106½, had their bout declared a tech draw at 1:50 of the second. Hisao Ishido, 115, halted Buffalo Tano, also 115, at 1:41 of the second. Tsutomu Takashiho, 157¼, kayoed Tomotsugu Yamazaki, 158, in 0:57 of the first. Tetsuo Atobe, 158, halted Nobujhiro Sajurai, 156, at 1:27 of the first round in the opener.

Misako Promotions. Fuji TV.

Attendance—2,000 (estimated).

(09-22-83)

__TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Japanese junior featherweight champion Hiroyuki Iwamoto, 121¾, retained his title with a unanimous decision over Takeshi Mitsu, 122, 10.

Iwamoto, who was making his eighth defense, is now 25-7-3 with four kayoes. The lanky Mitsu, five years his junior at 21, is 14-3 with four knockouts. Scoring: referee Hiroyuki Tezaki, 99-94; judge Yusaku Yoshida, 100-95; judge Ken Morita, 100-96.

Masahiro Takagi, 126, demolished Fusao Imai, also 126, in 1:06 of the sixth round in their scheduled 10. Takagi, the JBC's third ranked featherweight contender, is now 14-5-3 with six kayoes. Imai, three years his senior at 27, is 15-6 with seven knockouts.

Four-rounders: Kenichi Ishii, 122, TKO'd Fumihiro Shibayama, 119¼, at 0:45 of the second. Hideya Yamashiro, 134½, kayoed Yuzo Asakawa, 135, in 1:14 of the first round. Yasushi Shimoji, 130, outscored Masaya Takahashi, 129. Yoshiro Machi, 114¼, and Yoshihiko Ikeda, also 114¼, drew. Michiya Kashiwagi, 114¼, stopped Mamoto Sawamura, 114, at 1:30 of the first. Masakatsu Toyooka, 112, won a split decision over Koji Kaneda, 111¾. Yukito Tamakuma, 107¾, outscored Koki Taiko, 106¼, in the opener.

Yonekura Promotions. TV Asahi.

Attendance—2,000 (estimated).

(09-27-83)

__NAGOYA—Public Hall—Takao (Tenyu) Maruki, 133½, returned to the ring after a three and one-quarter year absence and disposed of Koji Sengoku, 132, the JBC's second ranked junior lightweight, at 2:59 of the third round in a scheduled 10. Left hooks to the face had floored Sengoju twice.

Maruki, 29, is now 32-11-6 with 16 kayoes. Sengoku is 9-5-1 with one knockout.

Hirokazu Fukui, 134, outscored Hiroshi Shimizu, 130¼, eight.

Hiroaki Kato, 116½, won a unanimous decision over Kenji Azuma, 116¼, the JBC's ninth ranked bantamweight, eight. Azuma was decked in the first and fourth rounds.

Kazuhisa Koyama, 107½, halted MOrikiyo Yamauchi, 105½, at 1:43 of round three in a scheduled six.

Seiji Muraki, 139¼, polished off Shiro Harada, also 139¼, in 1:55 of the first round in their scheduled six.

Four-rounders: Yoshiyuki Katayam, 138½, kayoed Nobuo Azuma, 139¾, in 2:18 of the first round. Miko Okabe, 112, knocked out Yasuichi Ishitani, 111½, in 2:24 of the fourth and final session in the opener.

Tokoname Promotions. No telecast.

Attendance—1,500 (estimated).

(09-28-83)

JOE KOIZUMI

KOREA

__TAEGU—Kyungbok Gymnasium—Tae-Jin Moon, 130, the WBA's top ranked junior lightweight contender, won a close but unanimous decision over Japanese champ Yoshimitsu Azato, 128¾, 10. Moon, a southpaw, will now face WBA champion Roger Mayweather.

Kukdong Promotions.

(08-27-83)

__CHUNJU—Chunju Gymnasium—Rod Sequenan, 129¾, Philippines, won the vacant OPBF junior lightweight title with a unanimous decision over Il-Bok Lee, 129½, 12. The crown had been relinquished by Tae-Jin Moon.

Sequenan, a southpaw, floored Lee with a sharp left midway in the fourth. Lee is Now 26-4 with 16 kayoes.

Sung-Ho Kim, 118, and Kap-Sup Song, also 118, drew, eight.

Four-rounders: Yung-Min Kim, 131, halted Yong-Bok Kim, 132, at 2:55 of the second. Yun-Koo Hou, 116¾, and Sok-Bong Kim, also 116¾, had their bout declared a tech draw at the end of two. Bong-Chun Park, 132¼, and Sou-Dal Kim, also 132¼, had their bout declared a tech draw at the beginning of round three. Young-Kil Park, 114½, and Sang-Hwan Lee, 114¼, drew. Jin-Sup Kim, 121¼, outscored Sung-Man Kim, also 121¼, in the opener.

Kukdong Promotions.

(08-28-83)

__SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium—Jin-Shik Choi, 131¼,halted Del Contato, 130¾, Philippines, at 0:36 of the third round in a scheduled 10. Choi, the Korean Boxing Commission's second ranked junior lightweight, is now 9-0 with eight kayoes. Contato is 15-4-1 with eight knockouts.

Yung-Kil Chung, 148, knocked out Ki-Hoi Song, also 148, in 2:56 of the fifth round in their scheduled 10. Chung is now 6-2-2 with three kayoes. Song is 11-1 with 10 knockouts.

Hi-Youn Chung, 117¼, outscored Ho-Joung Kim, also 117¼, eight.

Sung-Yun Kim, 129½, stopped Myung-Sup Choi, 130¼, at 2:29 of the first round in their scheduled eight.

Chung-Kyun Oh, 116¾, and Hong-Kyu Yang, also 116¾, drew, six.

Byung-Youn Kim, 127¼, and Ke-Rak Park, 128, drew, six.

Saeki Promotions.

(09-03-83)

__SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium—Yun-He Kim won the Korean flyweight title with an upset decision over defending champion Yun-Ri Moon, 112, 10. Kim is now 8-11-2 with one kayo. Moon is 11-4-2 with one knockout.

On-Kyung Lee, 127¼, won a technical decision over Kyung-Yang Kim, 127½, when their scheduled 10 was stopped at 1:43 of the eighth round. Lee, the KBC's fifth ranked featherweight, is now 13-2-4 with eight kayoes. Kim is 6-6-2.

Chong-Shik Park, 122¾, halted Bu—Kyung Yuh, 123, at 2:28 of the fourth round in a scheduled six.

Chang-Hwan Noh, 162¼, stopped Byung-In Chang, 162, at 2:19 of the first round in their scheduled six.

Four-rounders: Chong-Kil Kim, 126½, outpointed Kwang-Ki Kim, 127¼. Sok-Bong Kim, 111, outpointed Sung-Bok Kwon, 110, in the opener.

Hanyang Promotions. MBC TV

(09-11-83)

__CHUNCHON—Chunchon Gymnasium—Former OPBF junior flyweight champion Youg-Hyun Kim, 111¼, won a majority decision over Sang-Moon Lee, 112, 10. Scoring: referee Kwang-Woo Lee, 98-86; judge Hwan-Soo Yuh, 98-97; judge Jun-Kuk Kim, 96-96.

Kim is now 20-8-4 with five kayoes. Lee is 9-9-3 with two knockouts.

Won-Keun Chae, 110, outscored Dong-Ki Shin, 108½, six.

Four-rounders: Kang-Chul Lee, 116, and Won-Chun Kim, 115¾, drew. Wye-Shik Cho, 118, and Chong-Moon Kim, 118¾, drew. Sung-Chun Park, 118, outscored Song-Yong Uye, 117½. Tae-Il Oh, 140¾, halted Tae-Joung Park, 141, at 2:33 of the first round. Sung-Kwan Lee, 115¼, outpointed Kyung-Ho Joo, 114¾. Jae-Keun Cho, 113¾, outscored Kyung-Chul Choi, 113½, in the opener.

Korea Promotions.

(09-16-83)

__SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium—Veteran William Develos, 119, Philippines, won an upset unanimous decision over Suk-Chul Bae, 120, 10. Bae was floored in rounds two and nine.

Develos is now 30-6-2 with nine knockouts. Bae is 20-3-1 with 13 kayoes.

Hyung-Kil Chun, 129¾, retained his Korean junior lightweight title by outpointing Chong-Kwon Ahn, 128¾, 10. Chun is now 16-2 with five kayoes. Ahn is 11-4-2 with four knockouts.

Joung-Pyo Kim, 116¾, outpointed Ho-Hyun Kim, 115¾, eight.

Ki-Chang Kim, 114, and Keum-Sup Han, also 114, drew, eight.

Four-rounders: Byung-Soo Park, 122¼, halted Kyung-Woo Park, also 122¼, at 2:22 of the third. Young-Chul Goo, 114¼, outscored Ke-In Lee, 114½, in the opener.

Waryong Promotions. MBC TV.

(09-17-83)

__SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium—Jun-Sok Hwang, 147, retained his OPBF welterweight crown by knocking out Filipino champion Young de la Cruz, 146½, in 0:53 of the ninth round in a scheduled 12.

Hwang is now 24-1 with 16 kayoes. De la Cruz is 20-9-3 with 11 knockouts.

Moon-Jin Choi, 111¼, the WBA's sixth ranked junior flyweight, kayoed Nick Dalisay, 110, Philippines, with a left hook in 2:12 of the fourth round in a scheduled 10. Choi is now 17-2-2 with three kayoes. Dalisay is 13-3 with five knockouts.

Sou-Heang Lee, 140¾, and Hea-Young Song, also 140¾, drew, eight.

Moon-Kyun Joo, 118¾, won a technical decision over Jae-Myung Choi, 119¼, when their scheduled eight-rounder was stopped at 2:12 of the fifth.

Four-rounders: Jin-Hong Kim, 119, halted Myung-Chul Choi, 118½, at 1:44 of the first round. Man-Shik You, 117½, stopped Sung-Kwan Hong, 117¾, at 2:41 of the third. Chong-Han Kim, 124½, halted Keum-Ray Sim, 124¾, at 1:44 of the third round in the opener.

Dong-A Promotions. MBC TV.

(09-18-83)

__WONJU—Wonju Gymnasium—Ji-Won Kim, 121¾, won the Korean junior featherweight crown by outpointing Chan-Jung Chun, 121¼, 10. Kim is now 6-0-2, no kayoes. Chun is 16-3-4 with eight knockouts.

Hee-Sok Kim, 113, halted Dae-Keun Lee, also 113, at 2:55 of the fifth round in a scheduled eight.

Byung-Sok Park, 132¼, stopped Soo-Dal Kim, also 132¼, at 1:18 of the fifth round in a scheduled six.

Four-rounders: Jang-Yul Gum, 131½, outpointed Dong-In Chun, 130¼, . Ke-Rak Park, 127, outscored Ei-Jin Hwang, 127½. Yoo-Bok Park, 119 outpointed Hak-Joo Kim, 117½. Ik-San Lee, 119¼, and Ki-Ho Do, 119½, drew. Jung-Won Suh, 109½, outscored Ki-Chul Lee, 108½, in the opener.

Sangwon Promotions. KBS TV.

(09-18-83)

__JINJU—Jinju Gymnasium—Former OPBF welterweight champ Chung-Jae Hwang, 147½, kayoed Kozo Fukutani, 145¾, Japan, in 1:09 of the fourth round in a scheduled 10. Hwang is now 26-2 with 23 knockouts.

Kyung-Duk Ahn, 138½, won the vacant Korean junior welter crown by stopping Hong-Kyu Lim, 137½, at 1:47 of the seventh round in their scheduled 10. Ahn is now 9-0 with five kayoes. Lim is 20-3 with 14 knockouts.

Ki-Yul Kang, 120¾, halted Hyung-Keun Yuh, 121¼, at 0:53 of the fourth round in a scheduled six.

Four-rounders: Hong-Sun Kim, 129¾, outscored Kyo-Hwan Chung, 130¼. Byung-Yong Song, 114½, outpointed Sang-Wom Cho, also 114½. Hyo-Ray Chung, 118½, outpointed Chong-Dae Oh, 119. Jae Yun, 110, outscored Du-Shik Lee, 109½, in the

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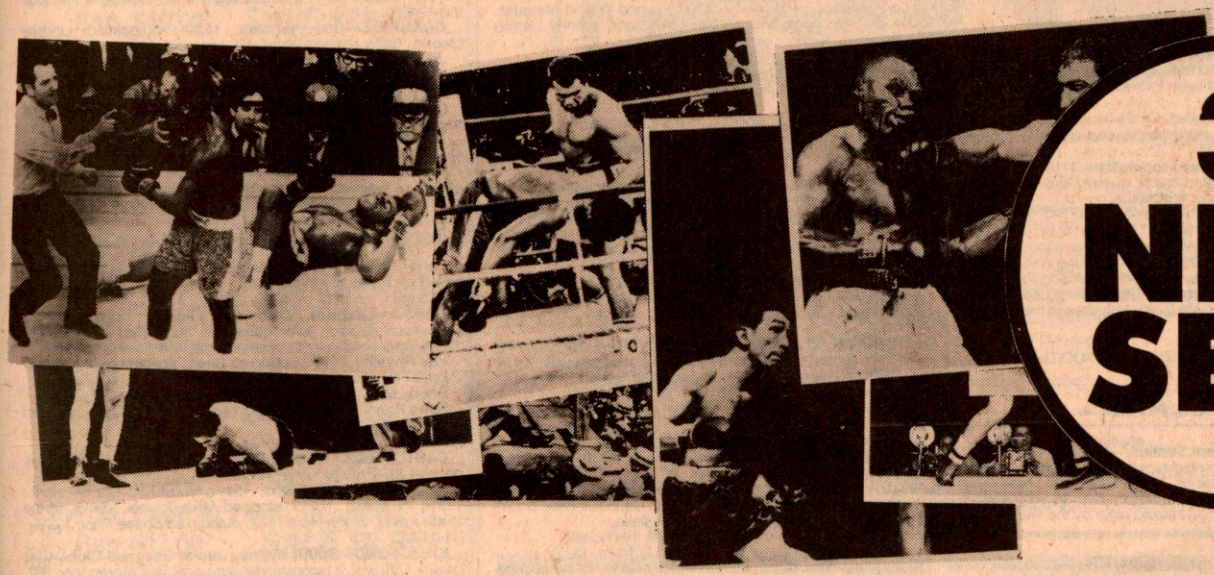

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__SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium—Korean junior middleweight champion Jae-Hyung Yuh, 154, TKO'd William Mardizon, also 154, Philippines, at 0:59 of the fourth round in a scheduled 10. Yuh, the younger brother of former WBA junior middleweight champ Jae-Do, is now 19-3 with 15 kayoes. Mardizon is 14-4-1 with eight knockouts.
Former Korean junior flyweight king Soo-Nyun Mah, 109½, stopped Tai-Yun Moon, 109¼, at 0:16 of the seventh round in their scheduled 10. Mah is now 9-3-5 with two kayoes. Moon is 2-3-4.
Sung-Yun Kim, 128½, halted Wan-Taek Choe, also 128½, at 2:42 of the fifth round in their scheduled 10. Kim is now 10-2 with four kayoes. Choi is 8-4-2 with four knockouts.
Oh-Kyu Chang, 128, halted Chong-Sung Koh, 127, at 1:43 of the sixth round is a scheduled eight.
Chong-Hak Lee, 141¾, outscored In Hwang, 142, six.
Sun-Yong Chung, 108½, kayoed Jin-Shik Lee, also 108½, in 3:08 of round three in the opener.
Saeki Promotions. MBC TV.
(09-25-83)

__WONJU—Wonju Gymnasium—Sang-Ho lee, 142¼, the WBA's second ranked welter, kayoed Shoji Okishima, 141, Japan, at 0:53 of the 10th and final round. Okishima was floored twice in the eighth canto and twice in the 10th—the second time for the full count.
Lee is now 30-0 with 25 kayoes. Okishima is 7-4-2 with three knockouts. Lee did not look in top shape, and did not press the fight until the eighth.
Ho-Chul Pyon, 112¼, outscored Yun-Ho Park, 111¾, 10. Pyon, the ex-Korean junior flyweight champ, is now 17-6-1 with five kayoes. Park is 15-6-3 with four knockouts.
Sang-Moon Suh, 139½, kayoed Kuk-Jin Yim, 140, in 1:50 of the sixth round in a scheduled eight.
Baek-Man Lee, 120, outscored Sung-Kyo Cho, also 120, six.
Four-rounders: Sun-Il Kuk, 109, outscored Byung-Woo Chung, 108. Chang-Won Chang, 112½, outpointed Duk-Soo Park, also 112½. Cha-Soo Oh, 132¼, outscored Chong-Sang Cha, 131½. Jung-Hyun Lee, 111¾, and Ji-Mo Sung, 112, drew in the opener.
Wonjin Promotions. MBC TV.
(09-25-83)

JOE KOIZUMI AND YOO-CHANG KIM

THAILAND

__BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—Meka Sithumsat, 108, won the Thai New Star Championship with a unanimous decision over Petnarong Petchakasem, 112, eight. The New Star Championships correspond to the Novice King tournaments of Japan and Korea. Meka is now ranked ninth by the Thai Boxing Commission.
(08-28-83)

__BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—Downnoi Sithsanae, 119 stopped Ekaluck Singnakornloang, 120, in the third round of a scheduled six.
(08-31-83)

__BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—Former amateur star Chor Hhaphalang, 126, demolished Dejumnuen Singthanongsak, 127, in the second round of a scheduled six. Singthanongsak was the TBC's second ranked junior feather. Chor is now 2-0.
(09-07-83)

__BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—Lulu Villaverde, 124, Philippines, won a close decision over Thai featherweight champion Dongprasert Sorsombutr, 127, 10. Sorsombutr, a veteran of 49 bouts, lost because he clowned the last four rounds. He had Lulu in trouble in the sixth.
Promoter—Somphop Srisomvong.
(09-08-83)

__BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—Thongberm Lukmaturee, the TBC's third ranked flyweight, overweight at 123, stopped Samor Laudayuthaya, 118, at 1:00 of the first round in a scheduled six.
(09-09-83)

__BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium—Yingyai Petchvichan, 124, won a unanimous decision over rookie Fahsai Rangnokthat, 122, six.
(09-10-83)

__BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—Suriya Pratumvadee, 112, won a unanimous decision over rookie Bonsai Korswankarnyang, 110, six.
(09-12-83)

__BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium—Sankumpang Bunthavee, 114, polished off Cholei Laudayuthaya, also 114, in six.
(09-16-83)

__BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium—Thai flyweight champion Nongberd Naphataya, 116, outscored Daoroj Kiatpetch, also 116, six.
(09-17-83)

__BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium—Chaisurin Sithkempetch, 129, halted Ploykeow Petthanin, 131, in the second round of a scheduled six.
(09-18-83)

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AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

__AINSLEE—Gary williams, 130, outpointed Jeff Smith, also 130, New Zealand, 10.
Leo Moore, 205, halted Danny Carey, 211, in the first round of a scheduled six.
Brad Fredrics, 136¾, outscored Bobby Mastro, 132¼, four.
Basil Crowe, 143¼, outpointed Fred Dowling, 152¼, four.
(10-21-83)

NEW SOUTH WALES

▲WALLA WALLA—Sparrow Freeman, 123½, outpointed Johnny Duff, eight.
Six-rounders: Gil McGrath, 152, outscored Joey Collins, 145½. Billy Connolly, 138¾, halted Tommy Johns, 141, in the second.
Four-rounders: Harry Harris, 172, stopped Wayne Meredith, 163¼, in three. Mike McKechnie, 158¾, and Johnny Lennis, 161, drew.
(09-11-83)

__KINGSFORD-South Sydney Junior Leagues Club—Clint Brown, 158, outscored Joe Burruni, 165, in the eight-round main event.
Bernie Johnson, 145, stopped Steve Polson, 146, in the second round of a scheduled five.
Robbie Hitchenson, 171, outpointed Henry Starr, 184, four.
(09-13-83)

__MARRICKVILLE—R.S.L. Club—Terry Archer, 204, retained his NSW State heavyweight crown by defeating Wally Carr, 184, in a scheduled 10-rounder. Carr ran out of gas after a sixth round knockdown, and was disqualified in the same frame for butting.
Joe Nitiva, 158, Fiji, stopped Pat Hailwood, 162¾, in the third round of a scheduled eight.
Johnny Layton, 180, outpointed Ken Morris, 178, eight.
Roy Bijkerk, 199, outscored Ron Sheldon, 195, six.
Geoff Peate, 199, outpointed Mandingo, 201, six.
(09-16-83)

__LITHGOW-R.S.L. Club—Brett Young, 129¾, retained his NSW State junior lightweight title with a points win over State featherweight champion Rocky Warren, also 129¾, 10. A rough fight at times.
Mario DeMarco, 131¼, outpointed Dean Thomas, 139¼, eight.
Lauri Lauriano, 138¾, outscored Nick Conditis, 140½, eight.
Brad Fredrics, 135¾, outpointed Brad O'Toole, 129¾, six.
(09-16-83)

__MT. PRITCHARD—Community Club—Ritchie Roberts, 159, outpointed Con O'Connor, 163¼, 10. O'Connor's New South Wales State middleweight title was not at stake.
Ron Sheldon, 195½, outscored Filu Atti, 194½, six.
Brad Fredrics, 134½, outpointed Brad O'Toole, 132¼, six.
Al Hallett, 149¾, stopped John Pigott, 151½, in the second round of their scheduled six.
Peter Nikodijevic, 178, outscored Terry Dawes, 175¾, four.
(09-21-83)

__CARDIFF—Workers Club—Craig Pevy, 119¼, halted Kam Chand, 118¼, Fiji, in the ninth round of the scheduled 10-round main event.
Brother Brett Pevy, 148a2, outpointed Colin Carr, also 148¼, six.
Roger Pevy, 154¼, outscored veteran Dawsie Kelly, 161, six. Roger Pevy is the father of both Craig and Brett. This was Roger's first and last professional bout. He boxed as an amateur many years ago, and was three months short of his 40th birthday on this, the night of his pro debut.
Kid Sollaye, 159¾, outscored Peter Nikodijevic, 175¼, six.
Referee—Joe Keegan.
Promoter—Roger Pevy.
(09-22-83)

__KINGSFORD—South Sydney Junior Leagues Club—Steve Renwick, 157, outscored Peter Batty, 148, 10.
Ken Morris, 182, and Harry Harris, 178, had their scheduled six-rounder declared a "no contest" in the third.
Brad O'Toole, 133, outscored Brad Fredrics, 138, five.
Robbie Hitchenson, 169, outpointed Kid Sollaye, 172, five.
(09-27-83)

__FAIRFIELD-R.S.L. Club—Steve Bell, 106¾, retained his Australian junior flyweight title by outpointing former champion Junior Thompson, 107¾, 12.
Jeff Smith, 129¼, New Zealand, halted Roger Henry, 138, in the fourth round of a scheduled eight.
Bob McQueeny, 165¼, outscored Joe Burruni, 165, eight.
Paul Toweel, 154¼, stopped Don Vaquera, 154¾, in the first round of a scheduled six.
Michael Toweel, 158¾, outscored Nooky Curyer, 160, four.
Wayne Bartley, 166¾, halted Tony Paulides, 165¼, in the third and final round.
(09-30-83)

__MT. PRITCHARD—Community Club—Scotty Withers, 146¼, outpointed Glenn Hillier, 142¼, 10.
Mark Cribb, 124¾, outscored Craig Pevy, 123¾, eight.
Keith Ball, 136½, outpointed Brad Frederics, 136¼, six.
(10-05-83)

__DAPTO—Leagues Club—Edin Tugrul, 138¾, halted Nick Conditis, 140, in the fourth round of the scheduled 10-round main event. A broken collarbone forced the stoppage. Paul Moore, referee. It was Nick's 27th birthday. What a present!
Mark Vallance, 145½, outscored John Pigot, 152¼, eight.
Roy Alexander, 163¼, outpointed Nooky Curyer, 159¾, six.
Bronco CiBella, 177½, halted Mad Dog Macka, 176½, in the second round of a scheduled four.
Vic Lento (AKA Lentini), 150½, outscored Steve Polson, 150, three.
(10-07-83)

__MARRICKVILLE—R.S.L. Club—Wally Carr, 174, halted Peter Hewitt, 174, in the fifth round of a scheduled 10.
Jale Fotu, 153, Fiji, stopped Steve Wonder, 163, in the fourth round of a scheduled eight.
Ray Merritt, 164, halted Peter Williams, 161, in the third round of a scheduled four.
Dave Bell, 140, and Young Walker, 137, drew, four.
Steve Doakes, 157, outpointed Steve Polson, 155, three.
(10-14-83)

__BERRIGAN—Sparrow Freeman, 125¾, outpointed Jay Crowe, 132¼, eight.
Gil McGrath, 167½, outscored Lindsay Goode, 163¼, six.
Fred Dowling, 154¼, outpointed Basil Crowe, 147¾, four.
Mick McKechnie, 165½, and John Lennie, 168¾, drew, four.
(10-14-83)

__MT. PRITCHARD—South Sydney Junior Leagues Club—Con O'Connor, 170, and John Layton, 171¾, drew, 10.
Ian Dennis, 160¼, halted Tommy Roberts, 152, in the sixth round of their scheduled 10.
Roy Alexander, 162¼, outscored Joe Burruni, 166¾, eight.
Peter Nikodijevic, 171, outpointed Bronco DiBella, 177½, four.
(10-19-83)

__GRENFELL—Dom Vaguera, 155½, outpointed Lindsay Goode, 156½, in the eight-round main event.
Jay Crowe, 132½, stopped Ben Lappori, 134¾, on an injury in the fifth round of a scheduled six.
Alan Clarke, 148½, outscored Edin Tugrul, 137½, six.
Doug Williams, 153½, stopped Trevor Reid, 150¼, in the first round of a scheduled four.
Tony Porrata, 164¼, outpointed Mark Simpson, 160½, four.
(10-22-83)

__KINGSFORD—South Sydney Junior Leagues Club—Willie Tarika, 143, outscored Rocky Pirrottina, also 143, 10.
Danny Shane, 133, knocked out Brad O'Toole, 130, in a scheduled six. Shane boxed as Couzner two weeks earlier.
Four-rounders: Robbie Hitchenson, 169, stopped Peter Nikodijevic, 175, on a hand injury in the first round. Steve Marshall won on a foul in the second over Bernie Johnson. Matt Clemente halted Jimmy Henry in the third.
(10-25-83)

__DAPTO—Leagues Club—Pat Leglise, 145½, won a unanimous decision over game but outclassed John Sirotis, 148¾, 10.
Ray Wheatley, 211¼, outscored Brian Fitzsimmons, 200½, six.
Brad Fredrics, 140, outpointed Jimmy Henry, 136¼, four.
Bobby Mastro, 134½, outscored Brad O'Toole, 131¼, four.
Steve Polson, 150¼, stopped Mick Murray, 133½, in the third and final session.
(11-04-83)

__CASTLE HILL—R.S.L. Club—Kenny Bruce, 128¾, outpointed Jay Crowe, 129½, 10.
Six-rounders: Paul Toweel, 154¼, outscored Darwin North, 153¾. Al Hallett, 151¾, stopped Mike Toweel, 154½, in the fourth round. Glenn Hillier, 142, outpointed Shane Prior, 139¼.
(11-04-83)

__KINGSFORD—South Sydney Junior Leagues Club—Clint Brown, 156, won a technical decision over Roy Alexandery, 162, at the end of three rounds in a scheduled six. Alexander decked Brown in the third round, an unusual occurrence. Brown also sustained a cut eye, and the referee ruled that it came from an accidental head clash. Brown could not come out for round four, so the decision went to the boxer ahead on points—Brown.
Brian Fitzsimmons, 200, and Ray Wheatley, 206, drew, six.
Steve Marshall, 145, stopped Muhammad Ali, 138, on a cut eye in round three of their scheduled six.
Rudy Darno, 190, outpointed Joe Vallis, 186, four.
(11-03-83)

__MARRICKVILLE—R.S.L. Club—Billy Johnstone, 164, stopped Joe Nitiva, 158, Fiji, in the eighth round of a scheduled 10.
John Layton, 182, and Geoff Peate, 201, drew, six.
Steve Wonder, 161, and Nooky Curyer, also 161, drew six.
Four-rounders: Dave Bell, 144, outscored Keith Ball, 137. Young Walker, 138, halted Jimmy Henry, 135, in the first round on an injury.
Steve Doakes, 49, outpointed Steve Polson, 156, three.
(11-11-83)

NORTHERN TERRITORY

▲DARWIN—Ricky Patterson, 160, outpointed Willie Drinkwater, 155¾, eight.
Michael Karaitiana, 154¼, outpointed Laurie Freeman, 154¼, six.
Alan Martin, 146¾, outscored Denny NIchols, 145½, four.
(07-29-83)

QUEENSLAND

▲BRISBANE—Festival Hall—Doug Sam, 154½, knocked down English import MIck Mills, 157, in the first round of a scheduled 10. Mills regained his feet, but complained that he'd hurt his shoulder. He did not want to continue, so referee Alan Moore crowned San. Time: 2:15.
Former Aussie amateur champion Norm Stevens, 133, stayed unbeaten as a pro by knocking out veteran Ted Hopkins, 140, in the first round of their scheduled 10. Referee Denzil Creed finished counting Hopikins out after the bell.
Emmanuel Otti, 164, Uganda, halted Joe Ki, 161½, Samoa, in the sixth round of their scheduled 10. Denzil Creed, referee.
David Saylor, 157½, halted John Park, 158, in the third round of a scheduled six.
Four-rounders: Ronald Doo, 140, stopped Steve Harrison, 138, in the second. Bob Daniec, 141, stopped Cyclone George, also 141, in the second.
(07-25-83)

▲BRISBANE—Festival Hall—Australian lightweight champion Barry Michael, 140, won a unanimous decision over Mexican import Tomas Chavez, also 140, 10. Alan Moore, referee. Scoring: Denzil Creed, 100-94; Eddie Francis, 99-94; Les Petty, 100-88.
Doug Sam, 156, won a unanimous verdict over Leonardo Bermudez, also 156, Mexico, 10. Alan Moore, referee. Scoring:

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Marcos Geraldo, 166, Mexico, stopped Emmanuel Otti, 165, in round three of their scheduled 10. Otti was floored in the first round and took a standing eight-count in the third. Denzil Creed, referee.

Norm Stevens, 134, halted Gary Rosen, 142, in round eight of another scheduled 10. Denzil Creed, referee.

Mark Janssen, 143, outscored Scotty Withers, 144, six.

Brendan Dempsey, 158, halted Tassy Durack, 156, in the second round of their scheduled six.

(08-29-83)

▲**ALBION—Valleys Leagues Club—**This was the first professional boxing program put on at this venue.

Guy Parker, 147¾, halted Robert Cross, 148, on cuts in the fourth session of a scheduled 10.

Dave Bellis, 141¾, stopped Greg Badman, 142¾, in the sixth round of a scheduled eight.

Gonzo Hooper, 162, halted veteran Eric King, 153, in the fourth round of their scheduled eight.

Former Australian junior flyweight champion Junior Thompson, 115½, halted Ricky Palmer, 123, in the fourth round of a scheduled six.

Ronald Doo, 141, outscored Jimmy Beck, 137¾, six.

Tilta Halpin, 142, and Cyclone George, 141, drew, four.

Ian Ford, 163½, and Steve Frazier, 167½, drew, four.

Denzil Creed refereed all contests.

(09-02-83)

__MANSFIELD—Mansfield Tavern—Russell Sands, 152, New South Wales, won a fairly close decision over Graham Looker, 145, 10. Looker was decked in rounds seven and eight.

Kevin Wagstaff, 174, kayoed Abe Johnson, 177, in the second round of a scheduled eight.

Six-rounders: Mark Janssen, 143½, stopped Tilta Halpin, 143, in the second. Ronald Doo, 143, and Steve Deller, also 143, drew.

Four-rounders: Jimmy Beck, 140, and Cyclone George, 138, drew. Steve Frazier, 169, halted Alan Neal, 168, in the second.

(09-12-83)

__IPSWICH—Geoff Kanofski, 152, halted Gonzo Hooper, 159, in the ninth round of a scheduled 10.

Greg Badman, 143, stopped Larry McDonald, 142, in the first round of a scheduled eight.

Ronald Doo, 136, halted Jimmy Beck, 141, in the seventh round of their scheduled eight.

Tilta Halpin, 143, stopped Cyclone George, 140, in the fourth ruond of a scheduled six.

(09-23-83)

__BRISBANE—Festival Hall—Three 10-rounders headlined.

Doug Same, 158¼, reversed his only loss by knocking out Ricky Petterson, 160, in the sixth.

Unbeaten Tom West, 170½, halted Young Stone, 171, in the 10th and final session of a hard fight.

Russell Sands, 153½, stopped Guy Parker, 155½, in round five.

Brendan Dempsey, 156, halted David Saylor, 160, in the third round of a scheduled six.

Ronald Doo, 143, outpointed Geoff Mercer, 146, three.

(10-03-83)

__SURFERS PARADISE—Chevron Hotel—Dave Sarago, 150, made a comeback and outpointed Russell Sands, 147, 10.

Rex Canon, 133, retained his Queensland State lightweight title with a split decision over previously undefeated Norm Stevens, 133¾, 10.

Emmanuel Otti, 160, the Ugandan who came to Australia from Greece several months earlier, stopped Matareti Valu, also 160, Fiji, in the fourth round of their scheduled 10.

Ronald Doo, 140, outscored Tilta Halpin, 142, six.

Mark Cribb, 125¾, stopped Des Logan, 120¾, in the first round of their scheduled six.

(10-14-83)

__MANSFIELD—Mansfield Tavern—Tom West, 171, won the Queensland State light heavyweight title with a split decision over defending champion Kevin Wagstaff, 173½, 10. The scores were 99-94, 98-96, and 97-98. West seemed to have won clearly.

Dave Sarago, 158, stopped Gus Spina, 166½, on a cut eye in the eighth and final session.

Ronald Doo, 147, outscored Steve Deller, also 147, eight.

Tilta Halpin, 144, outpointed Bob Daniec, 140, eight.

(11-07-83)

VICTORIA

▲**MELBOURNE—Town Hall—**Graeme Brooke, 134¼, halted Filipino Joe Insula, 133¼, in the ninth round of a scheduled 10. Malcolm Bulner, referee. Brooke is still unbeaten.

Niki Skoric, 189, halted Leo Moore, 203, in the sixth round of a scheduled eight. Brian Membrey, referee.

Attila Fogas, 143½, and Anthony Naidu, 141, drew, six.

Robbie Thorpe, 132¼, stopped Neil (Kid) Collins, 135, on a cut eye in the first round of a scheduled four.

Greg Barnes, 146, and Ralph Ferguson, 147, drew, three.

Phil Niewand, 119, stopped Shane Cameron, also 119, in the second round of their scheduled three.

(07-27-83)

▲**GEELONG—Ice Palais—**Rocky Pirrottina outscored New South Welshman Tommy Woods, 10, junior welters. Brian Membrey, referee.

Anthony Naidu outpointed Dave Ramsden, six.

Rocky Todaro outscored Joe Latola, three.

Robbi Nava stopped Kid Collins in the first round of their scheduled three.

(08-26-83)

▲**HEIDELBERG—Colosseum Hotel-Motel—**Brian Schofield, 129, won a unanimous decision over Irishman Kenny Bruce, 128, 10. Scoring: referee Malcolm Bulner, 99-90; judge Norm Foster, 99-91; judge Cliff Heaver, 98-94. Bruce was down in the fourth session.

Dave Ramsden, 146, outpointed Robbie Nava, 147, six.

Four-rounders: Kevin Hargraves, 177, outscored Manuel Folino, 176. Robbie Thorpe, 132, stopped Ken Crilly, 128, in two.

Three-rounders: Paul Booth, 152, outpointed Ralph Ferguson, 150. Phil Neiwand, 122, halted Graeme Rose, 123, in the second.

(09-05-83)

__MELBOURNE—Town Hall—Graeme Brooke, 133¾, Melbourne, won a lopsided unanimous decision over Johnny Summerhays, 136¼, 10. Scoring: referee Malcolm Bulner, 100-90; judge Cliff Heaver, 100-91; judge Bryan Membray, 100-92.

Niki Skoric, 189¾, won on a foul over Danny Carey, 204¾, in the second round of a scheduled six.

Four-rounders: Merv Gurney, 140, stopped Ralph Ferguson, 144¾, in the fourth and final session. Ken Crilly, 129, stopped Daryl Bruce, 131¾, in the second. Dave Ramsden, 144, outscored Phil Stevens, 142.

Fred Dowling, 157, outpointed Steve Manning, also 157, three.

(09-21-83)

__TOTTENHAM—Tottenham Hotel—Former Australian bantamweight and junior feather champion Brian Roberts made a comeback against Lester Ellis in a lightweight 10. The bout was halted in round eight due to a cut eye caused by accidental head clash. The points verdict went to Ellis.

Three-rounders: Len Mitchell and Mick King drew. Geoff Ellis outpointed Steve Manning. Brendan Piper outscored Phil Niewand.

(10-05-83)

__MITCHAM—Mitcham High School—Brian Schofield, 129¾, won the Australian junior lightweight title by stopping defending champion Dennis Talbot, 129, in round six of a scheduled 12. Talbot was winning until he ran into a blockbuster and was decked. He beat the count, but was dazed, and referee Norm Foster stepped in shortly after. Talbot wants a return bout.

Robbie Thorpe, 128, and Lance Mendola, 131, drew, four.

Three-rounders: Mick King, 169, and Darryl Jones, 168, drew. Brendan Piper, 135½, outpointed Ken Crilly, also 135½.

(10-25-83)

__LAVERTON—Kid Preston, 140, made a comeback and knocked out Lou Williams, 138, in the fifth round of a scheduled eight.

Dave Ramsden, 148, stopped John Pigot, 150, in the fourth round of their scheduled eight.

Dave Russell, 197, won on a foul over Leo Moore, 189, in the fourth round of a scheduled six.

Mick King, 170, halted Kevin Hargraves, 172, in the fourth round of their scheduled six.

(10-26-83)

__SPRINGVALE—Anthony Naidu, 146¾, Fiji, now living in Australia, won the vacant Victoria State welterweight title with a majority decision over Attila Fogas, 146¼, 10. One judge carded it a draw; the referee and the other judge saw it Naidu's way. Fogas was decked twice in round three, once in the fourth, and once in the fifth.

Peter Bryan, 154¼, stopped Torkano Marcos, 161, in the third round of a scheduled six.

Three-rounders: Mick King, 169¾, halted Steve Manning, 165½, in the third and final session. Sam Gibilisco, 134½, stopped Tony Foley, 138¾, in the third and final round. Lance Mendola, 132¼, and Shane Cameron, 127 ¾, drew.

(11-03-83)

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

__COMO—Pagoda Ballroom—Former Australian lightweight champion Lawrence (Baby Cassius) Austin, 157½, halted Jimmy Greco, also 157½, New South Wales, in the eighth round of a scheduled 10.

Harry Harris, 173, halted Elli Sassine, 172, on a cut eye in the fifth round of a scheduled eight.

Carl Zappin, 134, outpointed Washington, DC, also 134, six.

Nick Abraham, 141, halted Milton Cooper, 142, in the fourth round of their scheduled six.

Kevin Sibosado, 155, outscored Dominic Luzzi, 154, four.

Kevin Onus, 135, halted Peter Golden, 133½, in the second round of their scheduled four.

(10-16-83)

__COMO—Pagoda Ballroom—Lawrence (Baby Cassius) Austin, 152¼, easily outpointed former NSW State junior welterweight champion Peter Batty, 147¾, 10.

Alberto DeJesus, 138¾, outscored Nicky Abraham, also 138½, eight.

Carl Zappia, 134½, outpointed Paul Mule, 155¾, four.

Kevin Sibosado, 154¼, outpointed Paul Mule, 155¾, four.

Laurie De Barry, 127¾, stopped Peter Golden, 130, in the first round of their scheduled four.

(11-06-83)

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WORLDWIDE FIGHT RESULTS

HEAVYWEIGHT

Larry Holmes KO1 Marvis Frazier
(Retained WBC Title)
Pinklon Thomas W10 Leroy Boone
James Broad W12 Larry Alexander
Tony Tucker KO1 James Molley
Alfonso Ratliff KO7 Bashir Wadud
Joe Thomas KO1 Robert Oley
Bonecrucher Smith KO4 Leroy Boone

CRUISERWEIGHT

Lee Roy Murphy KO1 Willie Crawford

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT

Michael Spinks KO10 Oscar Rivadeneyra
(Retained World Title)
Carlos Gimenez KO1 Jose Maria Flores
(Won South American Title)
Richie Kates W1O Jerry Martin
Jerome Clouden KO6 Ben Gordon
Don Lalonde KO3 Akbar Muhammed

MIDDLEWEIGHT

Marvin Hagler W15 Roberto Duran
(Retained World Title)
Juan Roldan KO6 Frank Fletcher
John Mugabi KO1 Curtis Parker
James Kinchen W10 Murray Sutherland
James Shuler KO1 Leroy Green
Mark Holmes KO8 Henry Walker
Tony Cerda W dis. 9 Mark Kaylor
Bobby Czyz KO4 Bill Medei
Jimmy Price KO4 Sammy Floyd
Nicky Walker W10 Noe Ramirez

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHT

Mike McCallum W10 Manuel Jiminez
Mark Medal W10 Kevin Howard
Marty Shuler KO5 Perry Evans
Nick Wilshire KO4 Danny Chapman
Mike Landi KO3 Mackie Heimbough

WELTERWEIGHT

Gilles Elbilia W12 Frankie Decaestecker
(Won Vacant European Title)
Floyd Mayweather KO8 Calvin Porter
Simon Brown W10 Darryl Penn
Maurice Blocker W10 Ernest Jackson
Lupe Aquino D10 Eric Martin
Marlon Starling KO5 Sammy Ruchard
Reggie Miller W10 Danny Favella
Ramon Abeldano W10 Alfredo Lucero

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHT

Ronnie Shields W12 Saoul Mamby
(Won Vacant NABF Title)
Patrizio Oliva W12 Giovanni Giminez
(Retained European Title)
Gene Hatcher W12 Joe Manley
Vilomar Fernandez KO2 Monroe Brooks
Ronnie Shield KO6 Chuck Peralta
Tyrone Trice KO4 Victor Gordon
Tyrone Moore KO5 Jamie Chavez
Edwardo Dominguez KO2 Steve Hearon
Efrin Olivo KO5 Charles Allen
Greg Edelman KO2 Juan Gaxiola

LIGHTWEIGHT

Ray Mancini KO1 Johnny Torres
(Non-Title)
Terrence Alli KO2 Jerome Artis
Terrence Alli KO5 Ivan Montalvo
Charlie (Cho Cho) Brown KO2 Sammy Matos
Charlie (White Lightning) Brown W10 Frank Newton.
Kenny Bogner KO5 Mike Brown
Juan Arroyo W10 Johnny Torres
Edwin Curet D10 Chris Calvin
Danny Vargas KO1 Sergio Hernandez

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHT

Hector Camacho KO5 Rafael Solis
(Retained WBC Title)
Gerald Hayes W10 Juan LaPorte
Brain Schofield KO6 Dennis Talbot
(Won Australian Title)
Louie Burke W10 Freddie Roach
Steve Cruz W10 Nicky Perez
Adrian Arreola W10 Jimmy Jackson

FEATHERWEIGHT

Bernard Taylor W10 Rocky Fernandez
Bernard Taylor W10 Jose Gonzales
Barry McGuigan KO6 Valerio Nati
(Won Vacant European Title)
Jose Mario Lopez W10 Carlos Laciar

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHT

Alberto Davila W10 Julio Rodrigues

BANTAMWEIGHT

Jaime Garza KO5 Beto Perez
(Non-Title)
Gaby Canizales KO6 James Pipps
Ramon Soria W10 Luis Gerez
Harold Petty KO10 Hilario Zapata

JUNIOR BANTAMWEIGHT

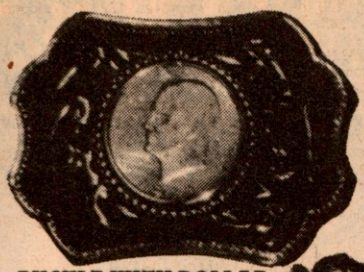
Payao Poontarat W12 Rafael Orono
(Won WBC Title)
Rafael Orono KO5 Orlando Maldonado
(Retained WBC Title)
Gabriel Bernal KO2 Enrique Castro

FLYWEIGHT

Soon-Jun Kang W10 Sang-Moon Lee
Prayoonsak Muangsurin KO6 Charlongchai Singcaltex
Tadashi Shimabukuro KO6 Hiroyasu Kato

JUNIOR FLYWEIGHT

Mutsuo Funaki KO7 Kazuhiro Ikeda
Tetsumi Takeshita KO3 Katsumi Sato



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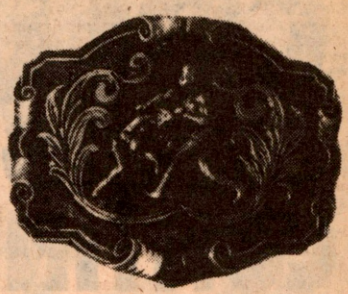

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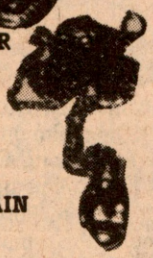

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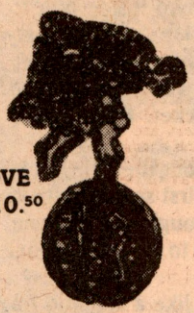

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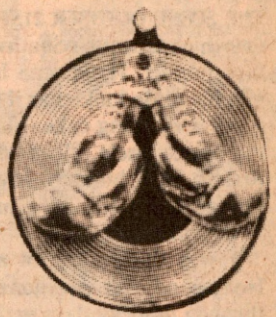

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COLLINS CRUMBLES
CHICAGO'S QUEST FOR A CHAMP CONTINUES

BY BILL FIGEL

THE SCENE OCTOBER 21ST AT ST. WALTER'S Church on Chicago's Southwest Side was picture perfect. Handsome Irish John Collins and his bride looked as if they had stepped off of a wedding cake. Nine priests flanked the bride's uncle, Vicar-General Rev. James Roach. Four hundred invited guests eyed the sanctuary. Hundreds more stood outside in the rain.

It was the ending of a story worth of Hollywood, but one gone wrong, because thirteen unlucky days earlier, the story had an unhappy beginning. On that Saturday, Chicago was under threatening grey skies. The Chicago White Sox season was ending with an extra-inning loss to Baltimore, and middleweight John Collins was in Atlantic City waiting for the word from NBC that the Sox had indeed lost 3-0, and it was time for him to take the ring against Tony Sibson.

The young Southside Irishman would provide Chicago with the solace needed to replace a would-be pennant, much the way he had revived Chicago's interest in boxing over the last two years. He would beat Sibson (48-4-1). He would beat the same man who lost to Marvelous Marvin Hagler in six rounds. He would beat the same man Hagler later said was the toughest opponent he had ever faced. He would give Chicago's boxing fans something to cheer about.

The darling of Chicago entered the ring with a perfect 29-0 record, an unmarred puss and a head that was elsewhere. He left the ring three minutes and forty-eight seconds later looking as if he needed boxing lessons—and reparations to his Irish handsome face.

Collins' head was in Chicago. The 22-year-old who went to camp five weeks earlier, went with his attention divided. While trainer Tony Arvia and manager Bob Galloway ran his body through the rigors of training camp in Great Gorge, N.J., Collins' thoughts strayed back to Chicago where his wedding plans were being shaped.

Had the Hollywood story been written for Chicagoans, the square-jawed, brown-eyed boxer would have been saved by his fiance. As Sibson sent Collins sprawling to the canvas in a nose dive worthy of a drunken sailor, Collins would spot his bride-to-be for the first time in weeks. Within her eyes, she would urge him back on his feet. Chicago's hero would respond to her exhortations, dedicate the fight to his bride-to-be and find the wherewithal deep down inside him to dispatch his 30th professional foe. Gathering his beloved in his arms, he would then leave for his honeymoon with 70 G's tucked securely away in his pocket. But Chicago ain't Hollywood.

"He wasn't thinking about the fight," said Galloway, the man who first spotted him in high school, led him through the amateur ranks and introduced him to his professional handlers.

Galloway loves Collins like a son and for that reason he will not tell you why his boy was not ready, or why he lost his concentration from camp to fight. Nor will Arvia tell you that he couldn't find that sparkle in his boxer's eye, at least not lately. But what they will tell you says a lot.

"He did not have a good camp," said Galloway. "And if he doesn't want to train and make the sacrifices, then Bob Galloway doesn't want to be in his corner anymore. This is a violent, tough game, and if you can't do what it takes to compete, get out."

Was it a lot to ask of Collins to prepare for Sibson weeks before his wedding?

"Everyone must fill their job commitments," said Galloway, "and then they can take care of social commitments."

What made you think Collins was ready for a fighter of Sibson's calibre?

"Sibson has never been a great fighter to begin with," said Galloway. "Everyone thinks we moved into this fight too quickly, but we are the same people who picked the first 29 fights and we did pretty well. Sibson was perfect for Collins. We wanted Bobby Czyz, but he wouldn't fight us after Collins beat (Kenny) Whetstone. So we took the fight with Sibson. I still say Collins is the better fighter. If he had gotten to the fourth round, he would have beat him."

But Collins didn't make it to the fourth round, let alone the third, mainly because Sibson did what his manager told him: "Get after him in the early rounds," said Mickey Duff after watching hours of films. "He's a slow starter." And because Collins didn't do what he was told.

"Keep him away with your left early. His only chance is to beat you in the first couple of rounds." If Collins was listening, he wasn't hearing.

Collins hit Sibson a couple of times at the beginning of the fight, and then tried to do what he can't, fight while backing up —something he had gotten away with against Whetstone last August 7th before TKOing him in the 7th. But Sibson took over, backing Collins into his own corner. When Collins put his elbows in his gut for protection, Sibson came over the top with a left to the temple.

"I never recovered from that one," said Collins.

Even though that's all Arvia and Galloway harped on Collins about, it didn't register. But the camp did have its moments. Collins and James "Heat" Kinchen went nose-to-nose for 12 hard days. People around the camp were calling it "a day-to-day war." Even Collins was enjoying the sessions, saying he was able to intimidate Kinchen by, "sticking my chin out and giving him his best shot. He couldn't hurt me."

But Sibson sure did.

"Maybe I tensed up at the last minute," said Collins. "That might be why I got hurt. I don't know for sure."

Arvia knew something was up. Before the fight he couldn't get Collins to break a sweat. In big fights Collins and Arvia work as one. Collins will say things like, "Tony, I'm ready to die for this fight."

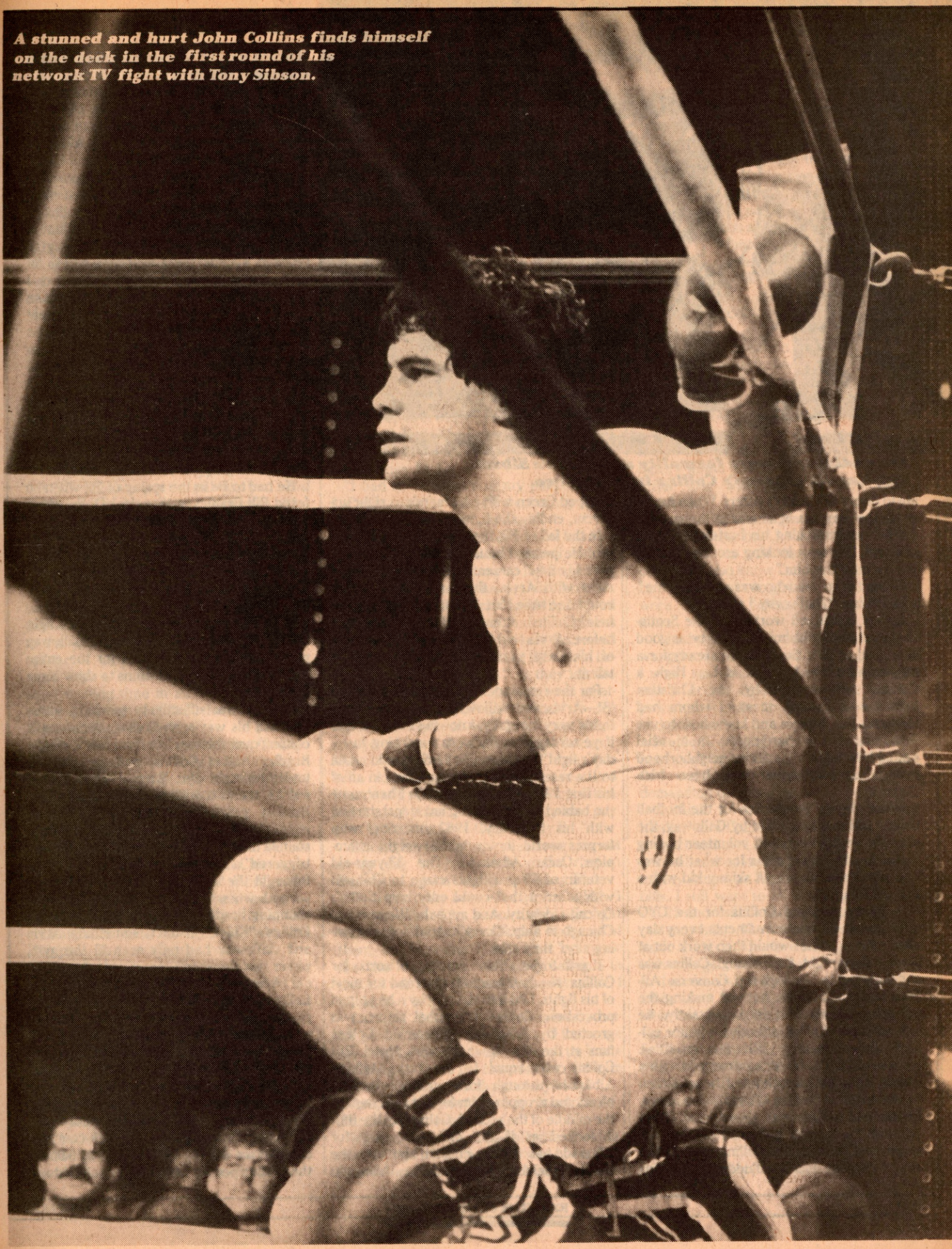
On this day Arvia couldn't reach Collins mentally or physically. He was asking, "Tony, do you think I'm in shape for this fight?"

Collins admits that he held less respect for Sibson 10 days before the fight than he did ten minutes before the fight—certainly an unorthodox approach to the biggest test of his career. But then nothing he did seemed in synch with the opportunity.

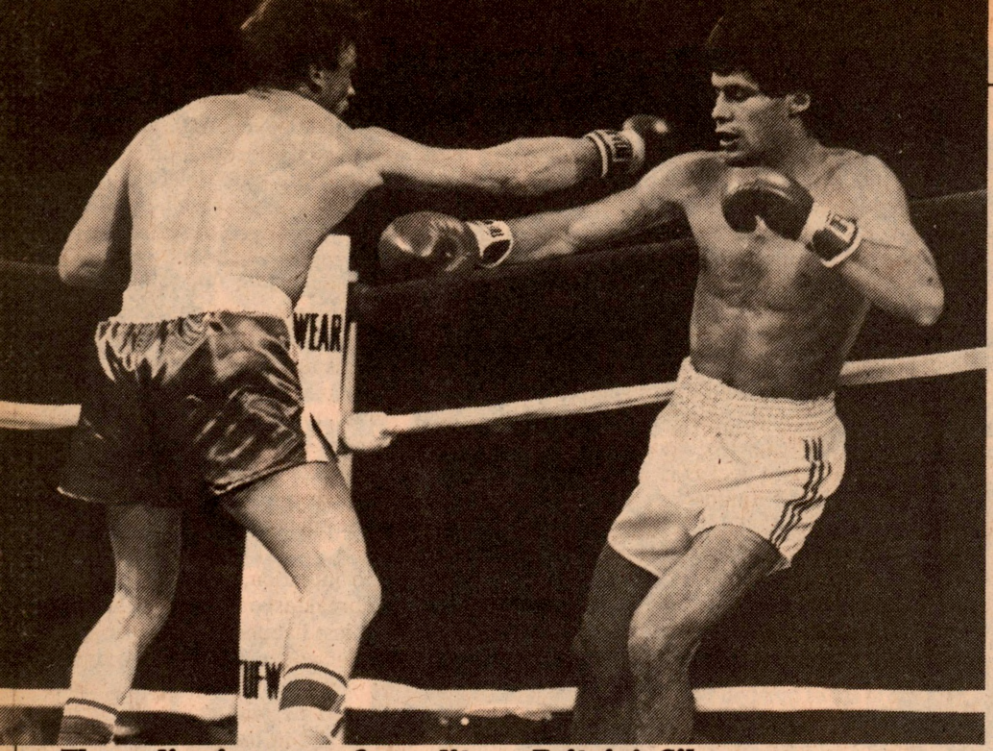
John Collins' past reveals a correlation between concentration and success; mental lapses and losses.

As a 14-year-old living on the Southside of Chicago, Collins got most of his work from impromptu scuffles for turf—his or someone else's. In a scenario followed by many "hopes", "hopefuls" and "hopelesses" before him, he found his way to the Scottsdale gym where Vic Leonard worked with Southwest Side kids. At the end of a few weeks, Leonard took a busful of screaming kids to the nearby town of LaSalle where each could get a few minutes of ring time.

"As soon as we got off the bus," remembers Leonard, "Collins started running around. When it was time for him to fight, I couldn't find him." Collins was talk-



A stunned and hurt John Collins finds himself on the deck in the first round of his network TV fight with Tony Sibson.



The ending is a mere formality as Britain's Sibson finishes off Chicago's Collins in round two.

Photos by Shelton Minor

ing to one of the boxer's sisters. When he did get in the ring, his head was in the stands.

"He was scratching his butt-flakes," said Leonard. "He kept looking around and this guy kept hitting him."

"I wanted to see who was watching me," said Collins. "That's why I got beat."

Collins continued working at the Scottsdale gym, trying his mightiest to be as good as the other kids. Soon he was ready for a bigger pond. He found it at Leo High, a Catholic school run by the Christian Brothers of Ireland, most of whom had forearms like Popeye and knew how to use them. It was a hard-nosed multi-racial school located in a black city neighborhood that a decade earlier had been Irish Catholic.

While playing linebacker for the football team, Collins was spotted by Galloway, the school's resident cop and volunteer boxing instructor. He saw Collins for what he was and still is sometimes, "A skinny kid with a big right hand."

Galloway prepped Collins for the CYO and Golden Gloves tournaments every day after school. Collins would then work out at Scottsdale at night. Even though Collins was still fighting in his high-top Converse All-Star basketball shoes, he was making the commitment. And, most importantly, he was learning. Collins attended a junior college while pursuing 1561b amateur-titles. He was to climax his amateur career with a March 26th, 1980 knockout of James Green in the National Golden Gloves tournament. Collins had trouble with Green most of the fight, as he always had with smaller opponents. Green drove Collins around the ring, getting inside. Suddenly, Collins dropped Green with a tremendous right uppercut, ending the fight at 2:03 of the third.

In the fall of '80, the twenty-year-old went pro. He painted houses on the side to support his new career. Every day he would meet with Arvia, the man Galloway felt could fine tune him. The small, fiery Italian held Collins' attention like no one had before. Arvia told Collins he had been forty of his sixty years for someone with his talent.

For the remainder of the year—and all of '81—Arvia and Galloway chose their boy's fights very carefully, knowing full well that if yesterday's lesson wasn't working in today's fight then the right hand would come to the rescue. And it did, surfacing in all of his first 19 pro bouts—all KO's. Then came the babied fighter's first giant steps, starting with his February, 1982, meeting with former world junior middleweight champion Oscar Albarado. The 33-year-old veteran of 70 pro fights came to Chitown with a script that could only help Collin's Chicago identity. And appeal. "We came to Chicago to help it keep its tradition as a losing city," they said.

It was to be a homecoming, of sorts, for Collins who had been on the road for most of his fights. Led into the ring by a bag-piped procession, Collins' triumphal return was greeted by 3,000-plus green-clad Collins fans at the downtown Bismark Hotel. But Collins was equal to the task, stalking Albarado through four rounds, drawing blood and dropping him for a three-count in the middle of the second. Going into the fifth it looked as if the end was near for Albarado, as Collins chased him into the corner, seeking the knockout. Albarado clinched and butted, extending the fight and confusing Collins.

Arvia got Collins back to jabbing and moving and setting up the right, which he did masterfully for three and a half rounds until a ninth round right dropped Albarado into the ropes, ending the fight.

Collins' mother, was at his corner before he was, screaming, "You showed 'em. Chicago is a winner."

A couple months later Collins went out of town for a tune up before returning to Chicago. Collins' body made the trip to St. Louis, but his head didn't and it almost cost him his unbeaten mark of 20-0. Someone named Rick Haynes clobbered an unattentive Collins, literally knocking him out on his feet. Collins backpeddled while trying to find his way out of boxing's version of the Twilight Zone, a time span which lasted a dozen seconds and seemed, as Collins said, "like an hour," as he struggled to stay up. Haynes rushed into a Collins right that dropped him immediately. Now he was 21-0, and, once again, attentive.

He had to be in the spring of '82 when he faced Bill Bradley, a then 16-1 Ohio native, working out of an Indianapolis gym. The sparring sessions were the best ever, but Galloway was nervous. Though Collins would enjoy a 6-1 reach over the 5-7 Bradley, it was reminiscent of James Green. The word on Bradley was that when he trained and had his head on, he could fight and take punches like a sponge. Galloway paced outside the ring area for the entire fight while waiting for Collins to show some spark.

Bradley was effectively working inside and had his way with Collins, occasionally coming over the top. In a third-round clinch, Bradley butted Collins, putting a mouse under his right eye. When Collins walked out for the fifth with his hands by his belt, Bradley greeted him with a well-aimed right, opening the mouse. Collins' blood stained his white-with-green-trim shorts and triggered a violent reaction that carried throught the sixth round and ended in the seventh when Collins had to be pulled off a slumping Bradley. That was the first sign of Collins' "Killer" instinct, something Arvia and Galloway had only seen in the gym, never in a fight.

The feelings were good again around the Collins camp. He had arrived. While on this plateau he could learn some more defense and get ready for an August meeting with tough Teddy Mann. Collins would be ranked 9th by the World Boxing Council by August.

While Collins worked harder than ever before, management wheels were turning. South African Cedric Kushner, whose only claim to fame was promoting rock concerts, dangled an equally fat contract in front of the Collins people which they snatched and

signed in two days.

Kushner didn't have to do any promoting. The press release for the Mann fight said it all: "With all due respect to John Collins' impeccable record of 22 wins, all KO's, the time of unveiling has come. It will be determined after the Mann bout as to whether he is for real or a fabricated myth. Mann will prove the real test."

Collins failed to knock out Mann, but did soundly beat him in 10 rounds of good fighting. The 28-year-old Mann was noted for his staying power and strong finishes, but it was Collins who got stronger in rounds nine and ten, totally dominating Mann and the judge's scorecards. Afterwards, Collins received Mann's endoresement as a fighter of the future.

Collins took on three more unheralded fighters while the city's boxing knowledgeables clamorred for a destined meeting with Chicago's other up-and-coming middleweight, undefeated Lenny LaPaglia, then 20-0, all by KO.

The local sportscasters hyped the fight, as did Chicago's sports publication, *Bill Gleason's Chicago Sports Magazine.* The mag covered itself with glory and its March issue with more than enough hype for the fight to satisfy both the Southside Irish and LaPaglia's West Side Italian following.

The fight, last March 20th—fittingly between St. Patrick's Day and St. Joseph's day—climaxed the return of big-time boxing to the Chicago scene. Despite the home opener of Chicago's new USFL team the same day, a snowstorm, local TV and a noon starting time in an arena that didn't sell beer, the fight still filled the University of Illinois at Chicago Pavilion.

Collins and LaPaglia would bring Chicago national prominence. They would revive a city that has been virtually devoid of local talent since back in the '50s when Arthur Wirtz' International Boxing Club encouraged the local talent and, not incidentally, put fans in arenas all around town. But, in 1960, the IBC was disbanded in Chicago as the result of an anti-trust suit filed by the Federal Government. However, this is the same Chicago that hosted boxing's first million-dollar gate at Soldier Field—the Dempsey-Tunney long count in the '20s—and the same Chicago that never hosted an Ali title fight even though the champ resided on the Southeast Side. But, despite Chicago's rollercoaster boxing existence, Chicagoans turned out in droves on this wet, snowy morning in March—and there wasn't even a title at stake.

Collins was the clear-cut favorite, entering the fight because he'd been 10 rounds with good people. LaPaglia, though dangerous with both hands, was the underdog because his 20 fights had only netted him 34 pro rounds of experience—or as one local editor put it "his opponents have been ranked, not ranked."

But, no matter, LaPaglia fought a courageous fight, going to the limit with Collins before losing on a decision. In the deciding 9th and 10th rounds LaPaglia didn't have it and took a beating while trying to find a target out of one eye. Collins made a close fight look uncontested, battering LaPaglia the last two rounds. Some people contend LaPaglia had Collins in trouble early but let him off the hook. LaPaglia thought so: "I'll never live that down. I had him early, but let up because I was thinking about going the 10 rounds."

And now, just as Collins has taken a punch from reality, so has LaPaglia. After surgery to repair broken facial bones from the Collins fight, he was unable to come back for a scheduled July fight. When the fight was rescheduled for August 28th LaPaglia showed up overweight and out of condition. In a bout billed "The Rage is Back," LaPaglia quit in front of his neighborhood fans to 4-6-1 Danny Blake.

"I had some money in my pocket," said LaPaglia, months later. "It went to my head. I didn't train like I should have."

Not only did he suffer his second loss in a row, but he had humiliated himself and his handlers. He simply stopped fighting in the third round, claiming he couldn't breathe. Referee Stanley Berg tried mightily to prod LaPaglia back into action, but the fighter's false pride dictated his actions—he would rather say "No Mas" than take the risk of being knocked out by "mas." As they left the fight area, the LaPaglia people were splattered with beer. LaPaglia refused to see reporters, most of whom felt he never recovered from the Collins fight. An hour later, trainer Pat LaCassa said, "Lenny has been running around with his so-called friends and not training. You show up with a hundred of your buddies and only one guy goes in the ring, and that's Lenny."

Since then, LaPaglia has been working out every day for his return to the ring in December against the same Danny Blake.

"I didn't train before," said LaPaglia. "I was surrounded by people who I thought were my friends. Now I can't find any of them. In December I will show everyone that that wasn't the real Lenny LaPaglia in there. I will be in the best shape of my life. I know now what is at stake."

LaPaglia claims to be surrounded by better people now. People he says, "I know are my friends because they wake me up in the morning and take me to run and to the gym in the afternoon. I'll show everybody."

[Note: Blake kayoed Lenny in round one in the December 1 rematch.]

Whether the Collins-LaPaglia boxing story will go on to trigger boxing history or become boxing trivia depends on these two fighters, and their comebacks. When they generated renewed interest in Chicago boxing, they helped the other talent punching around the Chicago area as well. People like James "Quick" Tillis need the interest. Two years ago he couldn't half-fill The Horizon for a WBA heavyweight title fight, despite the fact Marvin Hagler was on the card in a title defense. And then there are others who hope Chicago is not just flirting with a boxing revival, such as the talented LeRoy Murphy, Terry Whitaker, Alfonzo Ratliff, and the lesser names with hearts that ooze Chicago blood like Johnny Lira and Mike Landini. But their futures are indelibly linked to those of Collins and, to a lesser degree, LaPaglia.

"I have no intention of giving up," said Collins over breakfast on the eve of his wedding day. "It just happened. I got caught in the right temple and never recovered. I was too busy protecting my body, because that's where I figured he was going. If he had fought like he did in the (Dwight) Davison fight, I would have beat him."

But that was the only film Collins watched.

"I guess I'm kinda glad I lost, especially without getting hurt," said Collins. "I know now I have to train harder and be more cautious. I also know I'm not infallible. I can be beaten. I have to go back to the gym and work on more defense and watch more films.

"I had people around me telling me that I was gonna knock him out with no problems. I won't have that anymore. I'll be the one who'll decide those things. I've got the power, now I have to work on more boxing and defense."

People are going to say that a married man can't meet the demands of training, that marriage is a contact sport more demanding than boxing.

"I think it will make me train even harder," said Collins. "Now I have a wife to support and a lot more bills to pay. I used to get real excited making car payments or using my American Express. Now I've got real bills. I still want to be done fighting when I'm 25 and I still want my big payday."

Meanwhile, 67-year-old Tony Arvia is back at Davis Square working with young kids who get excited when they add a move to their arsenal, or kids whose faces light up when they finally get their rhythm down after dancing with a mirror for an hour. Arvia won't tell you that he is waiting for Collins to come into the gym and say, "I'd fight even if I wasn't gettin' paid."

Chicago's boxing future depends on the comeback of Collins and LaPaglia, two story lines that Chicago would like to identify itself with, *if*, and only *if*, they are winners. Otherwise, they will be bums. That's how the game is played in Chicago.

Far Left: A kiss from daughter Wendy after the April 4, 1962 loss to Paul Pender soothes the hurt. Top Center: Downes outpoints Ray Robinson in September, 1962. Left: Ring's Nat Fleischer presents a title belt to Downes as Terry's dad looks on. Above: Downes, wearing a set of false choppers, clowns with the late actress Sharon Tate.

TERRY DOWNES: THE HUNGRY BOOKMAKER

BY HUGH McILVANNEY

THE MOST UNDERSTANDABLE ERROR IN ADvance assessments of the November 30, 1964 fight for the world light-heavyweight championship at Belle Vue, Manchester, is that made by Willie Pastrano, the twenty-nine-year-old Italian American from Miami who is defending the title against Terry Downes of Paddington. Pastrano, whose fourteen years as a professional have made him a traditionalist, takes the view that the hungrier fighter will win and he assumes that this means him since he is still rather low on dollars while Downes is credited with holding so much sterling that Mr. Callaghan might have been expected to check with him last week between calls to Zurich. It is the fact that Pastrano's mathematics are meaningless which makes Terry Downes such an extraordinary fighter and makes people like myself—who see any rational analysis of the contest as pointing to a clear win for the champion—refuse to dismiss his chances.

Downes, who is six months younger than Pastrano, is not too hard to write off at a distance. His record, even including his brief tenure as world middleweight champion between winning and losing against Paul Pender, of Boston, is very good rather than great; there have always been palpable deficiencies in his technique and he is so far from being a knock-out puncher as to have admitted that he "couldn't punch a hole in a pound of butter." Of course, to carry such handicaps to one world title and within

reach of another requires compensating assets of a remarkable order. You do not have to be close to Downes very long, in a gym or at a ringside, to realise that he has these all right.

What he does have seems to be much more than simple guts or dedicated professionalism. Running through and beyond these qualities there appears to be a seam of the most fundamental optimism, a spirit that somehow impresses as being too positive to be destructible. This is nothing to do with always looking on the bright side. It is, rather, a feeling that no matter how long Downes looked on the black side it would never occur to him to give up. Perhaps the simplest and one of the less inadequate words for what he has is zest. It is what makes the book he has just published—called predictably *My Bleeding Business (Stanley Paul)*—not only tolerable but enjoyable and, in its essence, accurate. Through the corn and the sentimentality and the caricatured language there comes a sense of real individualism and personality.

Maybe it was an accident of family history that gave him experience of living and boxing on both sides of the Atlantic, with a three-year spell as a US Marine thrown in, and maybe it was sheer good fortune that put him in on the betting-shop boom when the returns were astronomical. But things of that kind were always more likely to happen to Downes than to the next man because he goes out and makes things happen to him. He made a world title happen to him when his talents scarcely merited it. Now he has manoeuvered himself into a challenge for another championship after only three convincing but unmomentous victories as a light-heavyweight. He has proved before that character can overcome talent and he may do it again tomorrow night.

Neither he nor his American trainer, Johnny Dunn, entertained any doubts about that as they tapered off training at the weekend in a Territorial Army gymnasium opposite White City tube station. Earlier reports that Downes had looked even less impressive than usual in his sparring were ignored by Dunn, who delivers his opinions with an engagingly pedantic deliberation. "He is stronger at this weight and he is punching better than he ever did before and his spirit is tremendous. He will be the champion of the world on Monday night. He will win that title. There is no doubt about it." From the shadow boxing, the work on the ball, the skipping, it was hard to tell anything about his sharpness but he looked thicker and stronger than before around the chest and shoulders and he confirmed that he has built up there, for he now weighs around 12 st 3 lb trained where he once scaled that much untrained. He does not want to go into the ring any lighter than 12-3 because he expects to lose 5 or 6 lbs if the fight goes the full fifteen rounds.

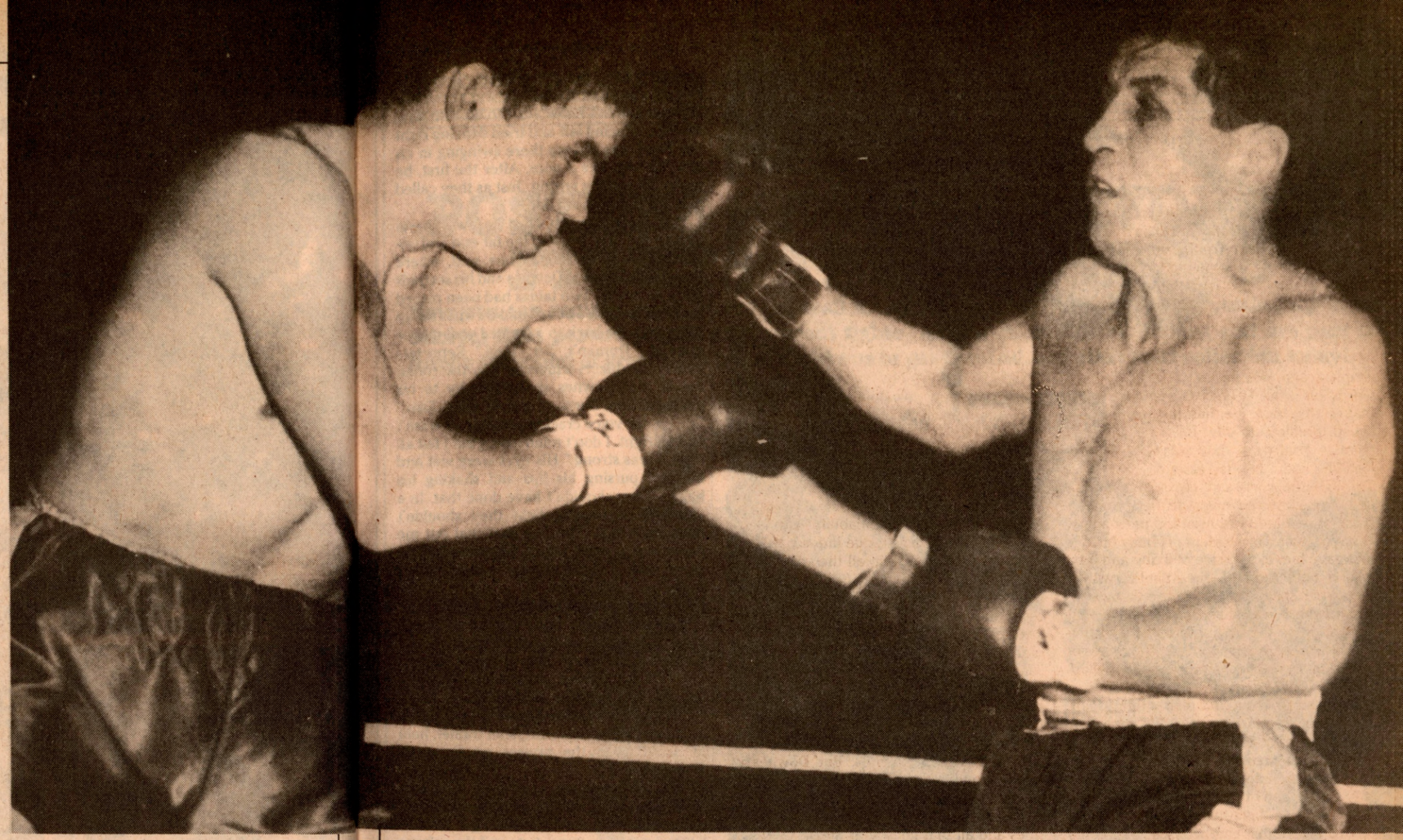
After the workout Downes, zipped into a sleeping bag, stretched out on the royal blue carpet of the sergeants' mess to relax. He talked easily to a few acquaintances who sat around him on chairs drinking tea. He swears freely but is one of those people in whom it is rarely offensive and often amusing. Occasionally he propped himself up on an elbow to sip from a glass of Guinness. The drink seemed more to the taste of his two-and-a-half-year-old son, Terry, who had been given a sample to put him off and had awkwardly pronounced it "nice." The presence of the boy was the ultimate evidence of how far Downes has departed from the monasticism of the old-style fight preparation. He has stayed with his family at his £36,000 home in Mill Hill, done his running around his own grounds and travelled to the gym in his Rolls-Royce.

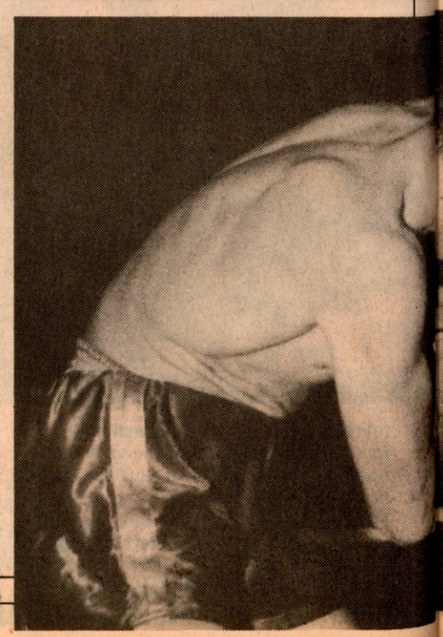
To Pastrano, sweating away his excess weight and his natural amiability up in Manchester, it all seems strange indeed. He has known nothing like it in all the years since he turned professional at fifteen. Some of those years were wasted on the mistaken belief that he had to fight at heavyweight. But he discovered the error eventually and made up for lost time by coming in as a substitute against the formidable Harold Johnson and upsetting odds of six to one to take the world title. Past frustrations and the present needs of his wife and five children convince him that he has more reason to be determined than Downes. But Downes is not a man who can live by bread or betting shops alone. A quarter of a million in the bank has not blunted his appetite for boxing titles and all that goes with them.

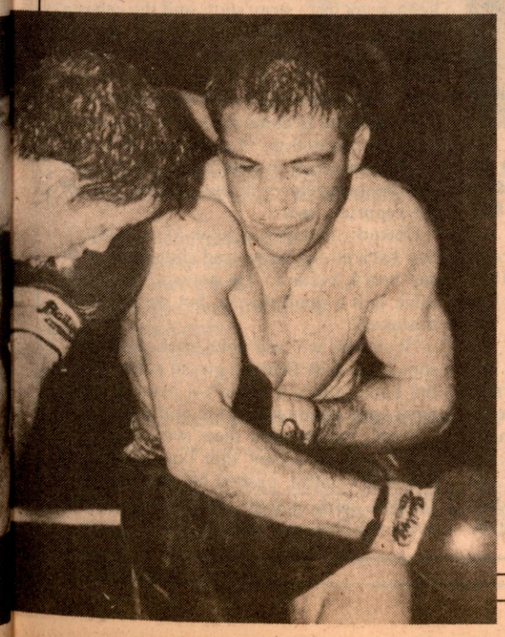
The chances are that Downes's crowding, swinging attacks will be subdued by the technical superiority of Pastrano, a classic jabber whose balance and incredible durability have kept him from ever finding out what it is like to be on the floor in a professional contest. But if the world light-heavyweight championship is to go to the man with the greater hunger for it, then it is as likely to land in Mill Hill as Miami.

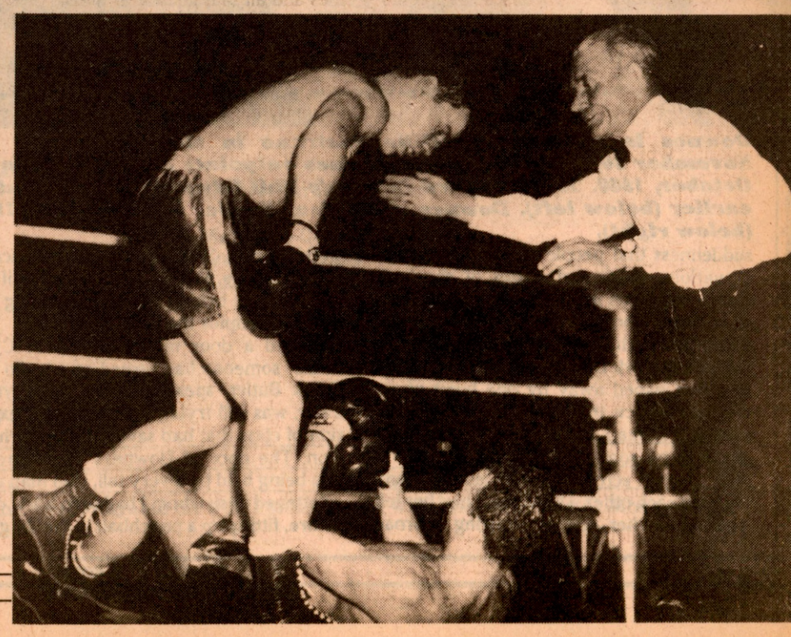
When they finally got Terry Downes down from the ring at Belle Vue, Manchester, on Monday night they brought him up the aisle, past the extra press seats that had accommodated the *Rochdale Observer,* a reporter from Chicago and a few more of us, out by the bar and along the short corridor on the right to the cell-like room, ten feet long by six feet wide, where he had stripped for his world championship fight with Willie Pastrano and where he now had to force himself to accept the fact that he had lost.

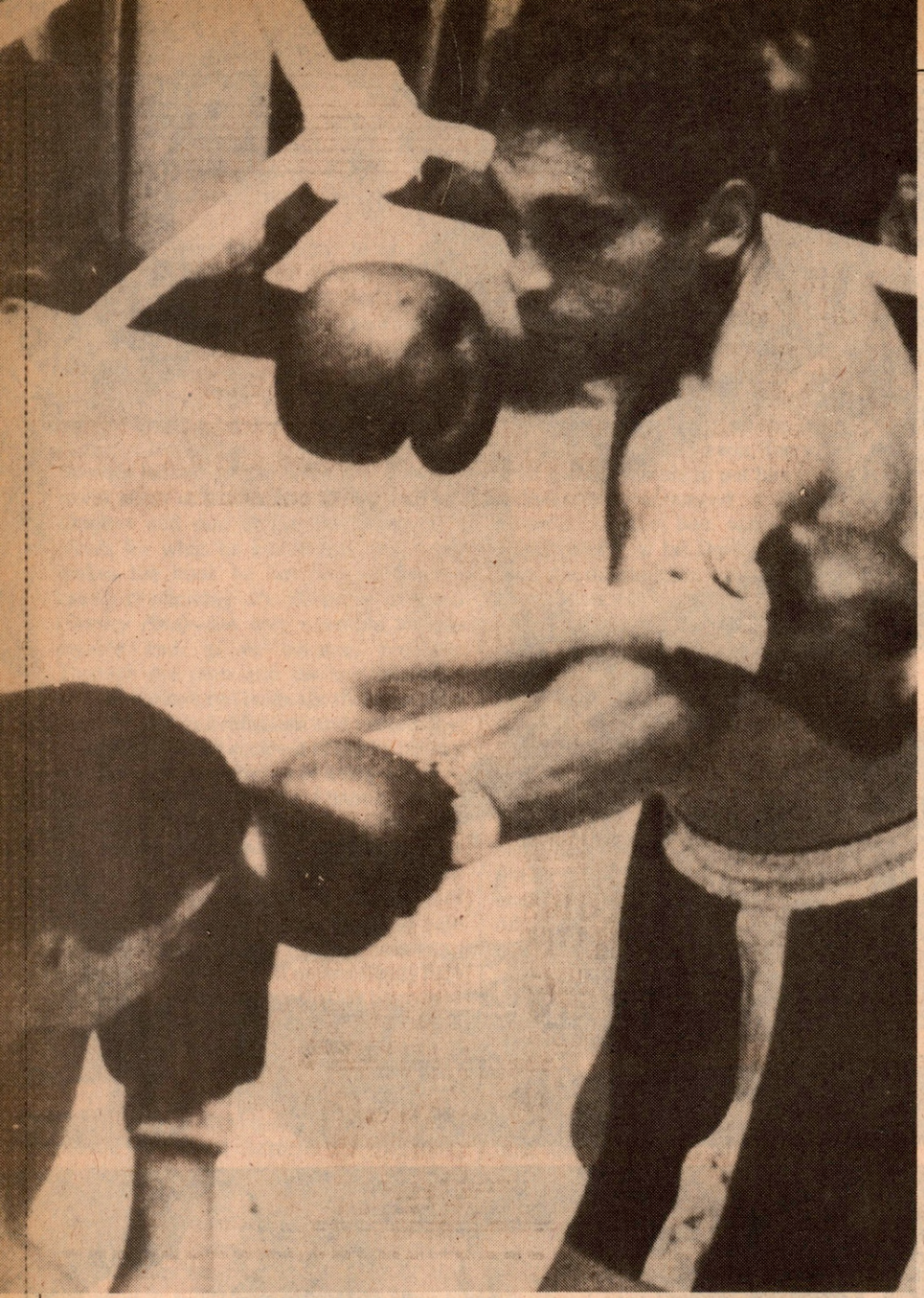
The end of the fight had come with such











Downes is stopped by Willie Pastrano in the 11th round on November 30, 1964. This page: Downes outpoints Joey Giardello in October, 1960. Terry kayoed Britain's Phil Edwards three months earlier (below left). Downes stops Paul Pender in nine, July, 1961 (below right).

suddenness that people all around seemed in various states and stages of shock. It showed as much in the Pastrano supporters as in those who had felt a plunge of disappointment in their stomachs when the best half-hour's work Downes had ever done in a ring was wiped away by one burst of accurate violence in the eleventh round. A man and woman, both in their forties, were standing on some kind of raised platform near an exit screaming and laughing and hugging each other. The woman had her left hand up to her mouth, showing a broad wedding ring. She kept hissing ecstatically: "Willie, Willie, Willie." She looked as if she had been left behind from the wrestling that usually occupies the hall.

Behind a door marked "BBB of C Officials" someone had turned on a radio and Frank Butler, speaking from thirty yards away, was still trying to explain that explosion of class that had saved the tired champion. The door of Downes's dressingroom was being held by a very tall, slim man with a flattened nose whom I had seen a few days before, fitting up a punchball in the TA gymnasium where Downes trained. "If only he had got over that round," he was repeating. "Pastrano didn't know what to do with him. He tried dancing left and tried dancing right but Terry was always there swinging in on him. He was like a door. After the first, he never did a thing wrong. Just as they called him, he was coming home."

The dressingroom had a washbasin against the bare brick at the far end and unpainted hardboard along one wall, where the street clothes of Downes and his seconds hung on hooks. Two tables had been placed together to form a bench and Downes sat up there with his back to a framed wall mirror marked "Truman's, Est. 1666." Reporters and sympathizers squeezed into the room, but at first Downes spoke directly to his manager, Sam Burns. "I was all right, Sam," he said, his voice cracking slightly. "I wasn't half all right. I don't mind losing but I felt all right. I was strong." His eyes were wet and he kept pursing his lips and shaking his head. "They shouldn't have done that. In a world championship fight they shouldn't have done that. The first shot that put me down was a good punch but after that he came with a flurry. It was a desperation flurry."

"It was a desperation flurry," said Burns.

"I said to myself, 'Don't stand around and get caught by a bad punch. Why get in the way of stray shots? He's wearing himself out. Let's get the hell out of here and take a breather and we'll be all right.' "

"You took a voluntary count," said Burns, as Johnny Dunn, the American trainer, held an ice bag to the bruises on Downes's forehead.

"He was washed out," said Downes. "D'you know, I lost it by being professional. Experience cost me the fight. I go down to keep away from stray shots and the referee stops it. He was dead as a kipper. But he suckered the referee. I could go a hundred rounds with that guy. It was a terrible liberty to stop that fight. I'm coasting."

Tears began to come again and Burns and Dunn said together: "Let it out Let it out."

"But you wrote in your book that Smythe was the best referee in the country," one of the reporters said.

Downes managed a joke. "I'm going to buy back all the books and change them to say he's a bastard." He added: "No, I still think he's a good referee but we all make mistakes."

"Well, this will sell your book, won't it?" somebody said. Downes glared at him. "Sell the book—that's a lot of f— good. I could have been champion of the world tonight."

A tall, middle-aged man, with a dinner-jacket and an accent that both suggested Board of Control, pushed his way through. "If you can't change the decision, don't come in," Downes said.

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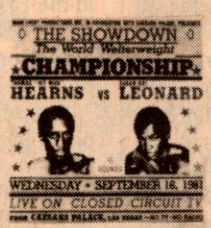

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WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

JOHNNY "HONEYBOY" BRATTON

HE WAS SLEEK AND SMOOTH. HE WAS dapper, handsome and Chicago's own. Wherever he went on the South Side in the late 1940s and early '50s, crowds gathered. He drove a pink Cadillac with the name "Honeyboy" on the side. There was plenty of money and beautiful women.

But the past is but a memory for Johnny "Honeyboy" Bratton, former welterweight champion of the world, whose fights brought him purses totaling more than $1 million in those pre-inflation days. Now, ailing and broke, Bratton has immediate problems facing him that could land him in a mental institution.

Bratton, 56, was arrested this spring on a theft charge. When he appeared before Criminal Court Judge John J. Crowley, he was found unfit to stand trial. A commitment hearing was scheduled for September.

Bratton, looking older than his years, overweight and tired, is but a shadow of his former self. He has become a street person. The entourage he always moved with has dwindled down to a precious few. K.O. Murdock, a former middleweight fighter from Bratton's era and now a businessman, cares for the former champ.

During a visit to the City News Bureau of Chicago, Bratton, wearing old wrinkled slacks and a shirt, had a faraway look in his eyes. When he speaks, it's after a rambling discourse. What hair he has left was gray and there were gaps where teeth used to be. When he beat Charlie "the Fighting Milkman" Fusari for the title in the Chicago Stadium on March 15, 1951, his black hair was slicked back and his smile dazzling.

Ben Bentley, a Chicago fixture, called the fight "one of the greatest fights in Chicago history." Bratton pummeled Fusari for 15 rounds and won a unanimous decision.

His latest problem occurred early this spring, when Bratton was walking the street on the Near North Side at Clark and Elm Streets. A man broke into a nearby auto and asked Bratton to help carry some luggage out of the car, said his friend, Murdock. A witness, who was walking his dog, later identified Bratton and he was charged with burglary on April 17.

"It took the Cook County State's Attorney's office "8 minutes to decide that Johnny should be sent up," Murdock said. "It's a farce. Let's find him guilty first."

Murdock maintains that Bratton is easy to take advantage of. But no matter what wrong is done him or what names he is called, "he would never hurt anyone. He's a beautiful person," Murdock said.

These days, Bratton can be found on a park bench, in a restaurant booth or sleeping in a hallway on the Near North Side. The closest thing he has had for a "home" in the last several years is the Del Prado Hotel in Hyde Park. He nearly received the bum's rush there, too, until somebody told the hotel manager who he was.

Bratton was released from a mental hospital 17 years ago. Bert Sugar, publisher of *Ring* magazine, said Johnny was a street kid who slept in cars before his rise to the championship. "Johnny was destined to end up the way he did no matter what his profession," said Sugar.

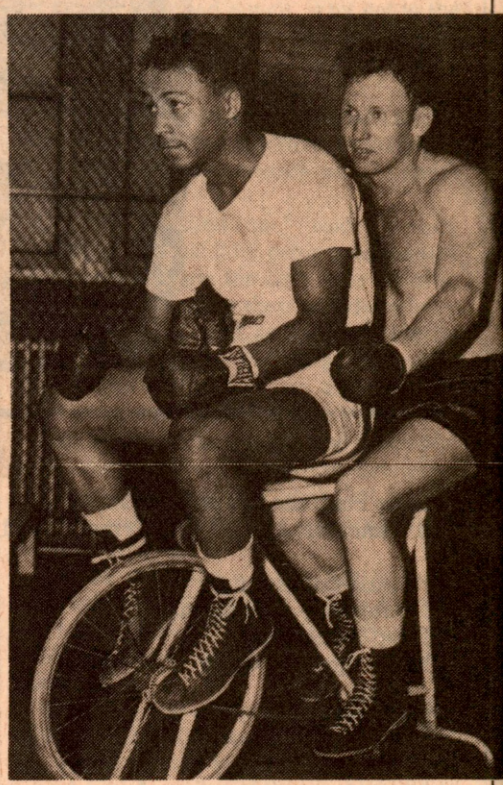
Sugar recalls that Bratton was "a magnificent fighter...a showboat and a crowd-pleaser. He had that slicked back hair," Sugar said. "I think he viewed himself a dandy in the ring."

"He had the fastest hands I ever saw—faster than Sugar Ray Robinson," said Bentley. "He was a beautiful thing to watch."

Although Bratton liked to "hot-dog" in the ring, he was no slouch. Bratton fought 86 times in his 12-year career, winning 59 times. Thirty-two of those victories were knockouts. Bratton fought "all the big ones" of his time, including former champion Ike Williams and Cuba's Kid Galivan three times each, Del Flanagan, and Beau Jack, another former champion. "The man stood up against them all," said Sugar.

Bratton's fights with Gavilan were "hell-bent for leather," Sugar said. He lost his title in the 147-pound class to Galivan on May 18, 1951, only two months after gaining the championship, suffering a broken jaw in the process.

According to Bentley, Bratton began slipping after the Galivan fight. "Like most fighters, when they can't break those $100 bills, he began to slide. The same people that patted you on the back avoid you by walking on the other side of the street." Now that Johnny is on the street, he takes his share of abuse from strangers and storekeepers, said Murdock. But to those



who know him, "There ain't nobody who doesn't like him," says the cigar-chomping Murdock.

Bratton, who first entered a mental in-

stitution in 1954 "has a chemistry stronger than battleship steel" which enables him to stay awake for days at a time, Murdock says. Bratton can sleep almost anywhere sitting up, he says.

Johnny's brother takes care of him occasionally, but he can only go so far, according to Bratton. "They have to raise their own kids." Johnny has a special talent for disappearing and going back to the street without a moment's notice, Murdock said, because that's where he wants to be. It is a manifestation of the same puzzling stubborness that Bratton used to exhibit when he would take punishment in the ring, Murdock says.

But now Bratton faces the toughest fight of his life. A psychiatric evaluation on September 7, two days before his 57th birthday, will determine if Johnny will continue to tread the streets and go to the track occasionally with Murdock or if he returns to a state mental institution.

"They should leave him on the street," says Murdock. "This guy has never hurt anybody."

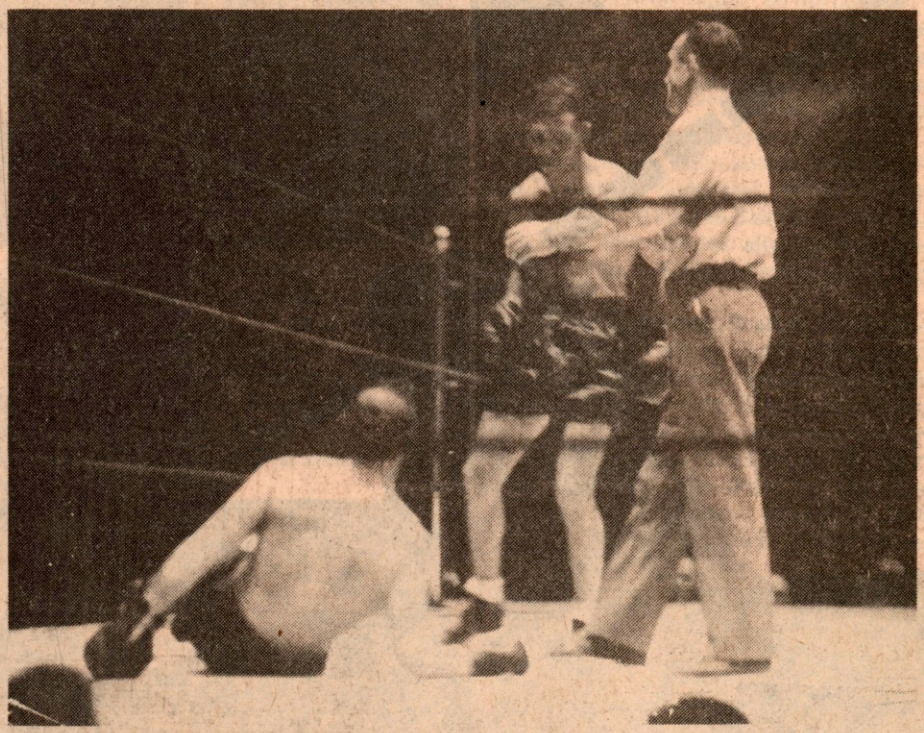
Is Johnny Bratton, the man who stood with the best of them from boxing's golden era of welterweights, destined to be knocked down for the full count?

His friends, at least, won't count him out.

RED ALL OVER

By Red Smith

THE BRAVEST MAN



THE BRAVEST MAN RAY ARCEL EVER KNEW was Bob Olin, who won the light heavyweight championship of the world in a travesty of timorous sparring and then, hag-ridden by fear, lost it in the most wantonly reckless fight of his life. Ray Arcel has handled hundreds of fighters and fifteen world champions. And none of the others was so tortured by fear.

"He used to give up inside," Arcel once told writer Bill Heinz. "He'd be so sick before some fights that you could hardly get him out of bed. You'd have to scream at him and holler at him and abuse him. Yet if ever a man had courage, he had it."

Olin took a decision and the title from Maxie Rosenbloom, November 16, 1934, and eleven months later Arcel took him to St. Louis to fight John Henry Lewis, who had whipped him in a non-title match in April. Four nights before the bout, Ray and the sparring partner, Marty Sampson, were awakened by frantic pounding on the door between their hotel room and Olin's.

They found the fighter up, wearing overcoat and trousers over his pajamas, white and sweating. "I'm gonna die, I'm gonna die," Olin babbled. "I don't know what's the matter. I'm gonna die."

Ray got some warm milk into him and got him back to bed and sat stroking his forehead, telling him the fight was off, there was nothing to worry about, just to go back to sleep. In the morning the trainer telephoned their room-service waiter, a brother of the old lightweight, Joe Ghnouly, and said, "I'm sick. I need a doctor." The waiter got them an appointment.

"My name is Marty Sampson," Ray told the doctor, "and," pointing to Olin, "this is Ray Arcel. Ray doesn't feel well."

The doctor went over Olin for an hour. When he was finished, he said, "Mr. Arcel, if I had your physical condition, your build, I'd be a prize fighter."

When Olin was out of the room, the doctor turned to Arcel. "Mr. Sampson," he said, "what did you do to frighten that man?"

Ray said he didn't understand.

"Mr. Sampson," the doctor said, "that man is afraid of something. He's suffering from extreme nervousness and nervous indigestion. That's all that's the matter with him, and if I were you I'd watch him very closely."

One day Olin had been scheduled to box and had not gone to the gym. Another day when no work was planned he sparred three rounds. The newspapermen were puzzled and suspicious. Harried by doubts that he'd ever get his man into the ring, Arcel kept assuring them everything was just peachy.

There was no mention of the fight in Olin's presence. Arcel and Sampson stayed him him around the clock, keeping him in the hotel, babying him.

They got him to the arena and into his fighting clothes. He had been training for two months and his body was fit, but in the dressing room sweat poured off him. They led him down to the ring.

"It was one of the greatest fights I ever saw," Arcel says.

Olin walked out and ripped into Lewis, who was then a first-class fighter. John Henry teed off. He gave Olin a good licking, yet in round-after-round Olin kept coming in. Round after round, they dug in and punched.

John Henry's great friend, Joe Louis, was at ringside. Mixed bouts were uncommon in St. Louis then. There were many in the crowd who had come to root for Lewis and before it was over they were cheering Bob Olin. So was Joe Louis.

In the corner after the thirteenth round, Arcel said, "Bob, don't let this guy take your title." Olin didn't answer. He stood banging his gloves together and glaring across at John Henry, waiting for the bell for the fourteenth. They battled through the fourteenth and fifteenth and Lewis earned the decision and got it, with the title.

Crowds clamored outside Bob Olin's dressing room. There was an old Negro woman in the mob. "Let me look at that man," she kept yelling. "Let me see that man. I got to see a man's got guts like that."

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